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Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—The Presidential situation still continues the absorbing topic here, and especially with reference to the Philadelphia Convention and its nominees. Rumors that Grant will be thrown overboard, or else that he will withdraw, still continue to multiply, and come from more responsible quarters. The Administration organ, this morning, whose editor had a personal interview with the President two days since, semi-officially announces this as follows: "In regard to these rumors of the withdrawal of President Grant, it can be said, first, they have no shadow of foundation of truth. The leading statesmen of the party in this city believe, and do not hesitate to affirm their belief, that General Grant is not only the strongest man in the field, but that it would be utterly impossible to elect anyone else. Second, there was a time when President Grant would have gladly withdrawn, but the course of his opponents in the party and in the press, by their unjust and vehement attacks upon his Administration and upon himself, has put it entirely out of the question. General Grant will seek a re-election and the election from the people of the country, and his friends have no fear but that the people will vindicate him from the assaults which they have been subjected during the last eighteen months by a set of disappointed office-seekers and ambitious Presidential aspirants. Third, he has no more idea of abandoning the siege of Vicksburg, of retreating in the Wilderness, of hauling his face northward from the Gates of Petersburg of the Confederacy, until it was in possession of the loyal army of the Union.

Senator Pomeroy has had his riding horse against $500 on the part of Conkling and the Democrats would ratify the Greeley nomination. Conkling had an interview with the President to-day, and assured him, in the presence of Colonel Forney, that Senator Lewis, that he would support him as against Greeley.

Grant has said, within the last few days, that in case the contest was between himself and Greeley, he would get at least one-half of the Democratic vote.

A Senatorial Conference was held last evening for the purpose of considering the propriety of removing Trumbull from the Chairmanship of the Judiciary Committee, and Mr. Fenton from the same position on Contingent Expenses, in order that the influence of both of these Senators might be destroyed, and that they might be properly punished for their sympathy with the Liberals. Mr. Edmunds was suggested for both places, but Mr. Wadleigh, of New Hampshire, was finally decided upon as the place for both.

The following is the call for the National Democratic Convention:

The National Democratic Committee, by virtue of the authority conferred upon them by the last National Democratic Convention, at a meeting held this day at New York, vested in the National Convention for the purpose of nominating candidates for President and Vice President of the United States, to be held on the 9th day of July, 1872, at 12 o'clock m., in the City of Baltimore. The basis of representation, as fixed by the last Democratic Convention, is double the number of Senators and Representatives in Congress from each State, under the apportionment of the census of 1870. Each State will send delegates accordingly. We invite the earnest cooperation of all conservative citizens who desire the preservation of Constitutional Government, and the overthrow of corruption and of lawless usurpation.

John Forsyth, John M. Harrell, William M. Oxnard, James Pryor, Charles Jay Canfield, Colquitt, Wilbur F. Storey, William E. Nicholas, Isaac H. Eaton, Thomas C. McCreery, Albert Voorhies, Spencer H. Cone, Odin Dyer, William A. Moore, Charles W. Nash, Charles E. Hooper, Charles A. Maute, G. L. Miller, J. W. McGrath, Harry Bingham, John Sedgwick, Charles H. Simonton, William B. Bates, John Hancock, H. B. Smith, John Goode. AUGUST BELMONT, Chairman.

FREDERICK O. PRINCE, Secretary.

NEW YORK, May 8, 1872.

The proceedings began shortly after 2 o'clock. Mr. Belmont took the chair. A motion was made, but lost, to fix the call for a Democratic convention should be indefinitely postponed. Next came the question of the basis of representation for the Democratic Convention. Great diversity of opinion prevailed on this point, a large number of speeches were interrupted with cries of "time." The Convention should be held on the day anterior to the Philadelphia Convention, while others held that it should be held on the first Tuesday in June, as that was the day fixed by the rules of the Democratic party. The wise plan would be to fix a date which would allow of the result of the Philadelphia Convention being known. This opinion prevailed, and the 9th of July was determined on as the day for the meeting of the Convention to be held. Next came the question as to where the Convention should be held. Baltimore, Cincinnati, St. Louis, and Louisville were the cities named. Under the choice was carried in favor of Baltimore by a vote of 26 to 1, the principal ground urged being that in that city less undue outside influence would be brought to bear on the proceedings of the Convention than in any of the other cities.

After the session of the Committee a reporter interviewed Mr. Storey, delegate from Illinois, and questioned him as to the action of the Committee. Mr. Storey replied very frankly on the whole subject. In reply to a question as to whether the proceeding had been in any important particular peculiar, he said that the meeting had only to deal with the question of the time and place for holding of the Convention, for naming the call, and for the expression of opinions on the great issues involved.

Reporter. Was there any expression of desire to indorse the nomination of Horace Greeley?

Storey. None. The delegate from Kansas, ex-Governor Carney, and the delegate from Kansas, the other State, expressed themselves in favor of indorsing Greeley, and strengthened discussion took place on this subject. The following was adopted by the Chairman insisting on a return to the strict question as to the time and place for holding the Convention.

Reporter. Was there any expression of opinion, either publicly or privately, as to who would be the probable candidates of the Democratic party?

Storey. None. The meeting could not deal with that question.

Reporter. What is the sentiment in the West in regard to the nomination of Greeley by the Cincinnati Convention?

Storey. My belief is that the Democracy of the West will not support Greeley. His whole political career has been such as to make him unpopular with the Democracy. I do not understand the views as those held by the Democrats of the West.

Reporter. Who do you think will be the nominee of the Baltimore Convention?

Storey. Well, the Baltimore Convention may not nominate anybody. It is not unlikely that Judge Davis will receive the nomination. It is certain that he can carry New York, Indiana, and Pennsylvania. He has, at the close, was strong at the advance, with fair export and good milling demand.

Reporter. Would you support Judge Davis?

Storey. I would support any Democrat who would be the nominee of the Baltimore Convention.

How the Colored People will Vote—By one who Knows.

CINCINNATI, May 8.—*The Commercial*, this morning, publishes a communication from Peter H. Clark, a prominent colored Republican leader here, in which the *Commercial* says in an editorial notice, that Mr. Clark is a close observer, and a man of "Liberal" tendencies, who has recently traveled in the South. Mr. Clark, in his communication, says that if the Greeley party are bulldozing any hopes on the off-repudiated assertion that the colored people of the south will vote for their candidate, they are surely doomed to disappointment. That sentiment is not found in the South. Greeley is scored most by the former slaveholders. Some colored men have been found to vote the straight Democratic ticket, but the number is small, and not likely to increase. The fact that the Republican party is the instrument which has freed and enfranchised him; which guards him in the exercise of his rights and privileges, and which encourages him to aspire to the highest honors in the gift of the people. It is everywhere evident that the sole feasible means of betterment in the poor laborer's condition, is

EDUCATION!

education which shall liberate him from the iron clutches of religious and political fanaticism, by means of which unprincipled capitalists have ever cowed, and even shackled, the masses of the people into submission.

New York Legislature.

ALBANY, N. Y., May 8.—The Vanderbilt Rapid Transit bill and Local Prohibition bill have passed the Assembly, and the bill providing for a new Emigrant Commission has passed the Senate.

A Huge Fish Story.

From the Sonoma (Cal.) Democrat, April 27.

Dr. Fulkerson is a gentleman resident of this township, well known, and of unquestionable veracity—the above preludes being introduced, and otherwise altogether unnecessary, on account of the extraordinary fish story we are about to relate—fish stories proverbially admitting of a broad construction. This, however, admits of no such latitude, it being the frozen truth: The Doctor, on a recent visit, went to Clear Lake, and gives us an account of the extraordinary multitudes of the finny tribe from the lake into Kelsey Creek after the freshet. He was stationed at a point two and a half miles from the mouth of the creek, and saw shoals of shapall (Indian name for salmon trout) from one to three feet long, fish and chi (Indian name for two species of perch) from ten to eighteen inches long, and a vast body of sucker, in solid mass, bound up the creek, so thick that it was impossible for him to ford it without killing numbers of them. So dense was the living mass, that they crowded each other on the shore, and died by the thousand. To use his own expressive language, "You could literally shovel them out by the wagon-load, as you would grain out of a bin." This remarkable habit of the lake fish has been long known. They go up five or six miles and return with the rushing waters. They do not go up to spawn. It is not one species only, but all varieties leave the clear, broad waters of the lake and crowd, a struggling, tangled mass, between the banks of a narrow stream, apparently only to round a certain point and return again. The exodus this season was unusually large, and the Indians, with a kind of animal instinct, anticipated and were on hand to feast upon them. The doctor went up to spear them, but found it was only necessary to wade in and choose his fish, the difficulty being which fish to choose.

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MEETINGS.

Masonic.

Special assembly of VAN RENSSELAER ROYAL ARCH LODGE, PERFECTION, A. A. A. R. MASONS, this (Thursday) evening, at Hall 112 Lodge, corner of Twenty-third and Prairie-av., for work. A full attendance is desired.

J. R. SLIGHTER, Sec. Grand Secretary.

Illinois St. Andrew's Society.

A rare or quarterly meeting of the Illinois St. Andrew's Society will be held this (Thursday) evening, at 8 o'clock, in the office of Justice Vanwood, corner of Randolph and Halsted-st.

JOHN STEWART, Secretary.

Firemen's Benevolent Association

NOTICE.—The annual meeting for the election of Trustees will be held at Room 1, new City Hall, La Salle-st. entrance, on Tuesday evening, May 14, at 8 o'clock. By order of the Board.

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The New England Mutual Marine Insurance Company.

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LEIPSIC.

The Trial of Three Social Democratic Leaders.

Two of Them Condemned to Imprisonment.

The Impracticable Aims of the Social Democrats.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LEIPSIC, April 8.

The excitement awakened throughout this Kingdom and the Empire by

THE RECENT TRIAL

of the leaders of the German Social Democratic party on charge of high treason, in this old City of Letters, still continues, and seems rather to increase than decline. It is now evident that the State has acted hastily, and this stimulates sympathy for the condemned, who are gentlemen in positions to turn such sympathy to political advantage. Herr Bebel is a Deputy to the Imperial Diet; Herr Liebknecht was formerly Deputy to the North German Reichstag, and Herr Hepner is the chief editor of the *Volksstaat*, the organ of the party, published in this city.

After a long and lively trial, in which the aims and workings of the Internationale were pretty thoroughly sifted, Bebel and Liebknecht were sentenced to two years' detention in a fortress. Hepner was acquitted.

Owing to the fact that numerous contradictory reports are circulated as to the aim of the Internationale, I followed the trial with great care and interest, and finally came to the conclusion that this clamorous institution

IS MUCH LIKE FENIANISM,

foamy in sublimance, and a source of far more injury than good to those it professes to benefit. The party of which the above-named gentlemen are the acknowledged leaders, and which now numbers some 100,000 votes in the Empire, is virtually, though not in a manner amenable to law (which forbids the united co-operation of such societies),

A BRANCH OF THE INTERNATIONALE,

and is in communication with the General Council of that body at London.

It was claimed by the defendants that they had no aimpa by with the principles and spirit of the Commune; but the contrary was sufficiently proved by the prosecution, and I distinctly remember hearing Deputy Bebel hissed and called to order, in the Imperial Diet, for speaking well of the Communists at the very moment they were in the act of beginning their work of destruction in Paris.

WHAT THEY SAY.

I have conversed with Hepner since the trial. He seems very dissatisfied at being acquitted, and interprets his release as a proof that Government does not fear him. However, he makes his presence felt. There are not less than fifteen suits now pending against him for violation of press-laws within the twelve months or so that he has stayed since he assumed the editorial responsibility of the *Volksstaat*. I have also seen Liebknecht. He speaks boldly of what he terms the unfairness of the Court; says that the proceedings of the accusation were arbitrary in the extreme; that the whole affair was crowded upon Saxony from Berlin; and that Government, by such a measure, lays itself open to the charge of Social Democracy.

IT IS, INDEED, TO BE REGRETTED,

for the tranquillity of the Kingdom and the good of the Empire, that such a step should ever have been taken against these men; for, besides revealing weak fear on the part of Government, it cannot but have a powerful stimulant to the very evil it was intended to avert. Bebel and Liebknecht have both appealed to the Supreme Court, with the hope of, at least, having their term of detention considerably lessened.

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Liberal Republican Candidate for Congress in the Tenth Illinois District.

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JACKSONVILLE, Ill., May 8.—The friends in Central Illinois of the Hon. Wm. H. Barnes, of Jacksonville, will present his name, and press his claims for the Liberal Republican nomination for Attorney General of this State, at the approaching Democrat of the strictest sect. Mr. Barnes cordially indorses the nominations of Greeley and Brown, and moves his purpose to support them to the end, who has the National Democratic Convention, before or soon after, makes a straight-out Democratic ticket, believing that good faith requires him and all other Democrats to take that course.

Miscellaneous.

TROY, N. Y., May 8.—The Colored Republican State Convention met here to-day and unanimously pledged the colored voters of the State to support the nominee of the Philadelphia Convention.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 8.—The *Westliche Volksblatt*, the German organ of Northwest Missouri, came out to-day in strong opposition to Greeley.

INDIANAPOLIS, May 8.—It is authoritatively announced to-day that Senator Hendricks is not committed to the support of the Cincinnati nominee, but will be a candidate before the Baltimore Democratic National Convention.

Judge Davis passed through this city to-day en route West. Ex-Governor Bickwell and several other Democrats who consulted with him on the action of the Cincinnati Convention.

It is hinted that his presence here to-day was somewhat connected with the sale of the *Sentinel*.

RICHMOND, Va., May 8.—Colonel W. E. Cameron, Editor of the Petersburg *Progress*, and a member of the State Conservative Executive Committee, has resigned his editorship in consequence of a disagreement with the proprietors of the *Progress*, who disapproved of his advocacy of Horace Greeley for the Presidency.

NEW YORK.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, May 8.

FINANCIAL.

The situation in Wall street, to-day, was remarkable for many changes, and the general unsettled condition of the market. Telegrams and rumors were numerous and somewhat exciting. First, a report and denial that Secretary Boutwell, at Washington, that Secretary Fish was to retire, and General Butler to take his place. After this, a telegram announcing that General Banks had positively stated that the treaty was a failure, and the next communication from England would be a notice of withdrawal from the Geneva Conference. These were succeed by advices from England that the Bank of England had declined to lend £200,000 and the bank rate would probably be advanced to-morrow. Under the influence of these various reports the price of gold advanced to 114¾ and the market was quite active, while there was a sharp decline in stocks. Harlem tumbled from 133 to 130; Pacific Mail was weak on receipt of Albany news, and declined. C., C. & I. C. broke from the to 49¾, with pressure of sales to close. New York Central declined from 93 to 131; Union Pacific from 35½ to 33½; Northwestern from 77½ to 76½; Ohios from 47½ to 45¾; Erie from 36½ to 67½; Lake Shore (from 96½ to 94½, and Central from 91½ to 90½. The market closed dull and unsettled.

MONEY MARKET

Was very easy at 6 to 7. with exceptional loans at 5 to 5 per cent.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

market a little easier for actual business, although asking prices were the same; 60 days sterling, 109½ to 109¾, with exceptional sales at 109¾ net.

GOLD

active and higher, advancing from 113⅞ to 114⅛; closing at 114 to 114¼.

GOVERNMENT BONDS

closed stronger. Central Pacific bonds closed at 92½@93; Union Pacific 8rds, 92½@92¾; land grants 89@89½; incomes, 86@86¾.

RAILROAD BONDS.

Inquiry for flour was moderate, owing to the higher prices asked. More doing in low grades for the Provinces. Medium extras are most active. At the close, the market was very strong at the advance. Inquiry for wheat was good, chiefly for milling, and with limited arrivals and the rapid advance at the West, prices are higher and very strong. The market, at the close, was strong at the advance, with fair export and good milling demand.

PROVISIONS.

Pork dull to wholesale way, but fairly active in job lots, and steady.

[To the Associated Press.]

THE METHODISTS.

NEW YORK, May 8.—In the Methodist General Conference to-day the Bishop's quadrennial message was read. It directs special attention to the subject of the District Conferences and the claims that two sessions a year are insufficient. The Church was congratulated on the increased confidence of the clergy in institutions, and he recommended an appropriate centennial programme for celebrating the Centennial of American Independence. An address of pastoral character was read from the World Wesleyan Conference. It commends its delegates and expresses a fervent hope for a speedy and peaceful settlement of the unfortunate difficulties standing between the two countries. Rev. Lake B. Wiseman and Rev. Morley Punshon, delegates from the latter Conference, made addresses which were frequently applauded, during which it was stated that in the past four years over a million members per annum have been raised in Great Britain for Methodist church buildings and extensions, and 100 00 persons have been admitted annually into full membership. A large building in the large block of property has also been purchased in the heart of Rome for a church, schools, etc. Rev. John Hall, of this city, one of the delegates from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, presented his credentials and addressed the body. Fraternal delegates from the Irish Methodist Conference, Canadian Church, and the Methodist Church of Australia, were also introduced and addressed.

AMERICAN TRACT SOCIETY.

The Anniversary of the American Tract Society was held in Jaynes' Auditorium to-day. The annual report shows the receipts of the year from donations and legacies to be $126,526, and from sales, $41,905; expenditures, $137,159; balance in the Treasury, $933.

A resolution was adopted for the prosecution of publishers and vendors of obscene books and pictures.

THE UNIVERSALISTS.

At the ANNUAL CONVENTION of the New York Association of Universalists a report was read showing the flourishing condition of the church.

STOCKS' CASE.

Judge Pierrepont declines to undertake the defence of Stokes in place of Graham.

FORGERY.

Henry C. Cole, charged with forging $10,000 worth of Allentown, Pa., school bonds, admitted to bail in $16,666, but remained in prison on a warrant charging him with the possession of a quantity of counterfeit money with intent to pass it.

MARINE.

Arrived, steamer Hansa, from Bremen.

The annual meeting of the Associated Press of the State of New York will be held in this city on Friday, the 17th inst.

THE STOKES MURDER TRIAL.

If a Judge can be obtained to preside in the Court of Over and Terminer, it is the intention of the District Attorney to bring the case of Stokes to a final issue during the present term. In the meantime, the prisoner is extremely desirous of having the decision of Judge Graham and Garry, and completely at sea with regard to the selection of their successors. It is intimated that ex-District Attorney Fullerton will be associated with McKean, Stokes' remaining counsel.

TYPOGRAPHICAL.

The following delegates to the Printers' International Convention, at Richmond, Va., were elected yesterday by Typographical Union No. 6: Charles H. McPherson, Thomas L. Cooley, E. B. Cogswell, Stephen Badger.

THE RECENT FIRE.

The Fire Marshal's investigation of the Niblo's Theatre shows that it probably originated in sparks from the Metropolitan Hotel's chimney falling through a broken glass in the dome of the theatre.

ANOTHER JUDGE IN THE TOILS.

At a meeting of the Bar Association last night, the Committee on the Marine Court reported evidence which had been presented to the Grand Jury, in relation to the removal of Judge Curtis from the Marine Court. The Committee was appointed to lay the documents before Governor Hoffman.

EXCURSION TO GERMANY.

About eighty members of the different German Saengerbund organizations of the city and vicinity have organized for an excursion to Germany on the 29th of June, to attend the fourth German National Saengerbund Festival.

IMMIGRANTS.

The steamships Idaho and City of Brooklyn arrived yesterday with 1,150 immigrants each. The total arrivals of immigrants from Jan. 1 to the 6th instant, are 66,783, against 45,422 during the same time last year.

PERSONAL.

T. Buchanan Read has been sinking slowly today. His condition is pronounced hopeless.

FIRE.

Henry Howard, mentioned yesterday as charged with frauds on the Government, has been reporting his income at less than it really was, until he had defrauded the Government out of $10,000.

MARINE.

Arrived—The steamer Java, from Liverpool, and the Ville de Paris, from Brest.

Sailed—The steamer Hermann, from Bremerhaven.

Illinois Democratic Conventions.

LA SALLE, Ill., May 8.—At the Republican County Convention, held at Ottawa, yesterday, the delegates were unanimously instructed to vote for the nomination of Franklin Corwin for the office of Congress, and D. L. Hough for Clerk of the Supreme Court.

PARIS, Ill., May 6.—At the Bureau County Democratic Convention, to call which was the business in hand, and an imperative obligation; but the question of Congressional representation in regard to candidates was made sufficiently apparent, and duly treasured thus: The ruling hope is to see the rebels in the Republican party widen and the organization centre; and openly divided, that straight-out Democratic candidates can be elected; but if, as late as a date as July 9, Grant's election seems likely, then the Greeley and Brown ticket will be adopted. Not a word was said in Committee about Adams. The Bureau Democratic Convention will either nominate Greeley or an unadulterated Democrat.

The *Courier Des Etats Unis* devotes three columns to a biography of Greeley, and discourses upon his recent utterances. These accentuate the other blanks, will not militate against Mr. Greeley's election, his organization, surrounding itself, above all other reasons, by reason of his resemblance to no one else. This eccentricity, too, the editor believes, is merely on the outside, while the interior is grand and noble. The exterior is all that is laughable and absurd. All the rivers, however, meander to attain success otherwise, say simply, by the sea.

Those who have the following men in their ranks, as Greeley himself still stronger for Greeley. It says when Cincinnati comes with Greeley and Brown upon the field, the battle is half fought. The victory of National Democrats set wisely in their National Convention, will be finished long before November.

(To the Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, May 8.—The Democratic National Executive Committee met this afternoon, at the residence of August Belmont. Eight States were unrepresented,—California, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, North Carolina, Oregon, and Wisconsin. The place most prominently mentioned for holding the Convention were Baltimore, St. Louis, Louisville, and Indianapolis. After a secret session of some hours, Baltimore was finally decided upon as the place for holding the Convention.

The following is the call for the National Democratic Convention:

The National Democratic Committee, by virtue of the authority conferred upon them by the last National Democratic Convention, at a meeting held this day at New York, vested in the National Convention for the purp

THE GAS QUESTION.

Does the City Get What It Pays for in Quantity or Quality?

The Matter Under Consideration by the Common Council Committee.

Several Ma- Gas Companies Seeking Permission to Furnish Cheaper Light.

A meeting of the Common Council Committee on Gaslight was held yesterday afternoon for the purpose of considering the new ordinance designed to protect the city against imposition at the hands of the existing gas companies, and also to take action with reference to the application of three new gas companies for permission to build gas works and lay pipes in the streets of Chicago. Aldermen Cox, Thompson, Powell, and Stout were present, and Mayor Medill and Corporation Counsel Tuley were also in attendance.

The Mayor said that the only ordinance in existence, relating to the gas question (Chapter 18, Revised Ordinances), was totally inadequate for the protection of the interests of the city, and an amended ordinance was absolutely necessary. The gas bills for the fiscal year ending April 1 amounted to over $800,000, and the amount for the ensuing year would be much larger, in view of the constantly increasing extent of pipe ordered. No other department was left in a condition so unprotected. Chicago was absolutely at the mercy of the gas companies—a monopoly that take their own price for their article, and quality of gas consumed, with no means, except by the most painful process, of ascertaining whether we are getting what we pay for. There was enough in the question to occupy the attention of a first-class expert, who should be both competent and honest. The Comptroller could not attend to the matter, and it was essential to adopt different regulations, whereby the city can have its own officer to guard its interests, and reliable apparatus for testing the quantity and quality of the gas. Regulations were also necessary as to the time of lighting and extinguishing the lamps in the street lamps. The city was now trusting altogether to the honesty of the two companies. Whose bills did not correspond within 10 per cent. He had read the proposed ordinance, and it seemed to him to answer the purpose. There was nothing in it which the gas companies could take exception to, though it would be well to have a double key to the testing apparatus, so that neither party could test it in the absence of the other. There should be a larger number of meters, as well as apparatus, to test both the quantity and quality of gas. The South Side company claimed that they were furnishing gas of sixteen-candle power. He had tested it himself, and the gas was not anywhere near eight-candle power. The question of pressure was also important, and needed careful watching, as a high pressure caused an extra amount to be consumed in heat and blue flame, without adding to the light afforded. The city was now paying over $100,000 for the gas companies. As the contracts now read, no specific candle-power is called for. It would be better to have a competent officer to test the gas, and have charge of the matter, and then when citizens desire to have their meters tested let the fees be paid into the City Treasury. The Mayor believed that the city was losing every two weeks more money than would be required to pay the salary of a competent man, and an assistant if necessary, and the cost of apparatus in the bargain. The salary of the Gas Inspector should be fixed at $1,500 per annum, and the Mayor pledged himself to appoint a good man if one could be found, and to remove him whenever it became evident that he was not performing his duty. The ordinance should be amended in these respects.

Ald. Cox proposed that the salary of the Gas Inspector be fixed at $2,000, and it was agreed to.

Mr. Tuley remarked that the West Side Gas Company was better than the South Side folks, as the former had put upon the test lamps burners which consumed one tenth more gas than those on the street lamps. The South Side Company found this out a few months ago, and were now claiming a large allowance for back deficiencies on this account.

Ald. Otis said that the new ordinance ought to be urged to immediate passage and enforcement.

Ald. Thompson thought it would be best to call a special meeting of the Council to take action upon the ordinance.

Ald. Otis stated that the Committee were in receipt of applications from three new companies—the Mutual, the National, and the Metropolitan—for franchises and permission to build new works.

Mr. Tuley did not believe that the English language could be so framed as to prevent insurance companies from position receipts, or consolidating with or selling out to the existing companies. The only way in which the monopoly could be controlled was by prohibiting the new companies from charging more than a specified price for gas flowing through the new pipes proposed to be laid.

Ald. Thompson wanted a condition inserted, which would be an object lesson to prevent any one to the prosecution of their work, and not sell out to the old companies as soon as the franchises were granted. It must be one or the other, or prevent the new companies from levying black mail upon the old ones.

Mr. Tuley thought that could be accomplished by requiring a heavy indemnity bond of the new companies, binding them to proceed at once to the construction of works and the laying of pipes.

Mayor Medill said that he had recently had a conversation with the attorney of one of the new companies, who had said that they stood ready to submit to any practicable restrictions, but that when questioned particularly on that point by the Mayor, confessed that they had not yet nerve enough to draw up an ordinance sufficiently strong to prevent the companies from defeating its purpose by not building their works, but simply putting out the old companies.

Mr. Tuley said that the simplest way to regulate the matter was to require that the price charged for gas flowing through the new pipes

Ald. Thompson said it was a well known fact that a good deal of gas was lost in Chicago by bad, yet chosen and costly fuel.

Ald. Otis thought that if that were the case the new companies should be given no less than 10 per cent, their proposition being to furnish gas in the South Division for $2.75 per thousand, and in the North Division for $3.

Mr. Tuley said that the Mutual was undoubtedly a good, solid company, and would start at once, and get the gas as soon as any one. If the Mutual was granted the right to use the streets, the other gas companies would have to furnish gas at the same price, or else lose their custom.

Ald. Thompson said that if it should result in a way to bring desirable competition it would be the opportunity for competition should be afforded, even though the city should derive no increased benefit from it. He proposed that Mr. Tuley should take the ordinances, and add such features as should be found necessary.

Mr. Tuley, in response, said that C. Chesbrough, City Engineer, in reply to certain interrogatories by the former, in which he said that the object in laying the Canal-street tunnel was to afford improved streets, would be to greatly injure the pavement, and would also increase the cost of laying the tunnel or spring an extra million dollars in the case of low and ungraded streets, particularly pipes should be required to ascertain by surveys the exact levels of the water and gas pipes and of sewers, so as not to conflict with the one how laid or hereafter to be laid. The planning of any system of pipes should be required to be a work of great care and caution.

Ald. Thompson said he had notified all of the applicants that they would be required to pay the harmless in the matter of damages in all cases, and they had consented to it.

The Mayor said that the ordinance granting the franchises should compel the putting in of better pipe connections at every street number, whether a consumer is there at the time or not. If it is better to have a uniform system of testing up of streets.

Ald. Powell called attention to the outrageous price charged for street sprinkling, and wanted agents per foot, when it could be laid with a profit for 20 cents per foot. Provision should be made to prevent such extortion.

The Committee adjourned until next Monday afternoon, when these important subjects will be further considered.

THE NORTHWEST.

ILLINOIS.

D. D. Evans, of Danville, accepts an invitation to run for Senator.

—The candidates for Sheriff, in Ogle County, are the incumbent, John E. Petrie, Deputy Cyrus Roberts, and Captain Henry C. Peak.

—W. S. Johnson, General Freight Agent of the Peoria Railway at Rock Island, has resigned his position to accept an engagement more advantageous with the C., C., C. & I. Road, at Springfield, O.

—The Carbondale *New Era* says:

Since our last publication, William Sansom, Marion Gray, Marion Dial, Jesse Wells, and samuel Dossett, living in the vicinity of Herrin's Prairie, Williamson County, left their homes on Herrin's Prairie, Franklin County, have been arrested on account of being concerned in the murder of Jason Vaught, and lodged in the Marion Jail. The evidence implicating all the accused, except Dial in the hanging of Vaught, is said to be conclusive.

—Mayor Joseph G. Rowland and Captain M. Pigott, of Quincy, have gone to lobby the Quincy Bridge bill through Congress.

—Last Saturday evening, John Wollard, of Quincy, undertook to beat his wife, who took refuge in the next house, and a blow intended for her was delivered in the face of Mrs. Casener; for which John, on Monday, paid $10 fine, and compromised a civil suit by payment of $700.

IOWA.

General Add. H. Saunders is about to return to Davenport, having resigned the office of Register of the Helena Land Office, to which he was appointed some two years ago.

—The $200,000 conflagration that lately swept over Marshalltown was started by a locomotive spark.

—The Cedar Rapids *Republican* says:

Great activity is noticeable all over the city in the way of building, and from the present look of things we judge our city will have a greater increase this season than any previous year.

—Samuel Bowlsby, of Clarion, the other day, offered his farm to a corn-sheller, which took it right off.

—The Washington *Gazette* says that "Engineers of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad have gone forward to the front, and the report is that they will survey a line from Grinnell westward toward Oskaloosa."

—Even at this late day a Chicago sufferer has victimized Hinsdale out of $40. The U. S., however, has chosen him reversed for stealing a horse.

—Two gentlemen who arrived in Council Bluffs, for the purpose of investing in real estate, ther, were arrested, the first day and fined $15 for discharging firearms inside the city limits.

—Some of the brethren open their eyes at the idea of spending $75 on the proposed editorial trip to Salt Lake! One man offers to trade his whole office for a $75 mule.

WISCONSIN.

—The LaCrosse *Republican* says:

We learn that lumbermen on the St. Croix River will get out 40 per cent of their lumber on the pro rata slaage value.

—The Manitowoc Board of Supervisors—13 Democrats and 10 Republicans—elected a Liberal Republican to the Chair, the Democrats voting for him.

—Iron has been purchased to finish the Lake Shore Railroad from Milwaukee to Sheboygan, Wis.

—The Milwaukee Musical Society has re-elected its officers, and the report of Henry M. Mendel, President, shows a total net indebtedness of $23,-605. The Society received $40,000 from the Gift Concert of last year, and has expended $36,339 in the improvement of Music Hall, besides reducing the former heavy load of debt.

INDIANA.

The New Albany *Ledger* says:

It is reported that the wool crop will be a large one this year, and that the price will be unusually high. It will soon be time to look for the market, and will give a new impetus to business.

—The Meridian Street Bank, Indianapolis, was last Saturday robbed of $2,000 in packages of currency, and now offers $1,000 reward. It is supposed that, while a stranger entertained the Cashier with conversation,—during the absence of all others at lunch,—entry was made from the rear, and the robbery effected.

—There was, last week, a general delivery of the Vincennes jail via the chimney.

MICHIGAN.

—C. F. Smith & Co., merchant tailors at Jonesville, have been from time to time robbed of goods amounting to not less than $2,000 in value, and last week discovered the leak. One Graham, employed by them, was in the habit of making up convenient packages for his father-in-law Nichols, at Ypsilanti.

—The State Agricultural College has but one lady student in it,—said to be on account of there being no hall for the accommodation of such students.

—The Detroit Board of Supervisors have selected as umpire to locate the proposed Agricultural College of the Province of Ontario.

—The State Treasury, at the close of April, held $976,479, an increase of $60,674 during the month.

—The Detroit City Treasury holds $73,926.

—The East Saginaw *Enterprise* says:

The sash manufacturing season opens this year a month later than last year, and unless it should continue to run it further into the winter, the season will, of course, be a short one. There are some other considerations, however, which must enter into an estimate of the prospects of the season.

—The Detroit *Free Press* of the 7th says:

A citizen of Chicago was picked up yesterday on the street by Detective O'Keefe, who had a warrant for *obtaining trousers*. He came here about a week ago, and his body on a spree ever since. Squandered in this short time seven or eight hundred dollars. He had two or three thousand dollars with him when arrested, and he will find it a pretty expensive enough to start home.

—H. Mattes, of Wausau, shipped 4,000 muskrat skins to Leipsic, Germany, last week, making 11,000 shipped this season.

—A. A. Abbott, running the steam flouring mill at Decatur, also a warehouse, etc., has failed for some $50,000.

MINNESOTA.

Extensive fires have this spring destroyed woods, fences, and other property in the immediate vicinity of St. Paul.

—The St. Paul *Press* announces that William Horace Lingard will purchase grounds for a summer residence on Lake Como, if he can succeed in finding suitable territory and terms.

—A round house is being built at Austin, twice the size of that recently burned.

MISSOURI.

A fire at Monroe City, Sunday night, destroyed the store of Houlware & Son, whose loss is $10,000; also, the *Appeal* office.

KANSAS.

Droves of antelope are grazing upon the prairies near Ellsworth.

—The Wathena *Reporter* tells of a cat belonging to Mr. Joseph McAleer, of that place, that has brought five young rabbits, and is nursing and bringing them up.

—The wife and son of the Rev. Wesley Lott, of Fort Scott, were drowned, on Friday evening, at a ford of the Marais des Cygnes River. Mrs. L. was aged 33 years, and her son 19. When the body of the young man was found, he had hold of the bridle-reins near the horse's mouth, with the reins wrapped around his arm two or three times.

NEBRASKA.

The Wahoo Mills, Saunders County, were damaged some $6,000 by Sunday's storm. Three thousand dollars' worth of grain was destroyed.

—Two men, named W. H. Keeley and D. Samuel Myers, have been arrested in San Francisco, and lodged in jail at Omaha, their offence being the larceny of two Union Pacific Railroad tickets.

—Settlers in Jefferson, Thayer, and Nemaha Counties are being dispossessed of lands purchased of the Government two years ago, because the General Land Office now finds that they come within the grant of the St. Joseph & Denver Railroad. The Lincoln *Statesman* says:

It is a grand swindle, to be perpetrated under the forms of law, upon hundreds of innocent people, and has not often been surpassed in this corrupt age.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. Swinehelm is lecturing in Iowa.

—Miss Harriet Colfax, sister of the Vice President, is not keeper of the light house at Michigan City.

—Colonel W. H. McCardle, of the Vicksburgh *Herald*, and formerly of "the McCardle case," is orator of the semi-centennial Press Association.

—The Detroit *Tribune* says:

Captain Jacob L. Wolverton, whose death is announced at Rahway, N. J., was, we believe, an early well known resident of Lake Michigan. He was at one time the most prominent ship-builder in the Northwest, and built very many of the finest vessels that sailed the waters of which he was master, or of which he was owner. Nearly all the vessels he built or owned were named for Captain Wolverton, at Marine City, on the River St. Clair.

—A. S. Abel, Esq., editor and proprietor of the Baltimore *Sun*, is reported to have amassed a fortune of $10,000,000. He commenced life as a journeyman printer, forty years ago, and is reputed to be the wealthiest man in Baltimore.

—Mrs. E. H. Chamberlain, of Rockfield, S. C., exhibits a Balmoral skirt woven by herself, the body of rabbit fair, and the bordering of wool in brilliant colors.

—Miss Mary C. Pike, daughter of the Hon. James S. Pike, of Washington, is now one of the editors of *Wood's Household Magazine*, published at Newburgh, N. Y.

—General Hickenlooper, having resigned as City Civil Engineer of Cincinnati, A. Tripp has been elected to the office.

—Buzzing Bull-Trod, Chief of the Sacs, is no more. He bought a gallon of alcohol of a trader, and continued to carry it home without a jug.

—Naughty Prince Teck, who left London and his wife, in company with an actress, to the great grief of his Royal cousin in-law, has evidently returned. The name of Prince and Princess Teck appear in the list of notables present at a recent state occasion in London.

—North Brookfield, Mass., sells two vacancies in her School Board by the election of Mrs. F. A. Smith and Miss Emily Eaton.

—The will of the late Samuel F. Pratt, of Buffalo, directed that $5,000 be paid to the Home of the Friendless, and $10,000 each to the Buffalo General Hospital, the Buffalo Orphan Asylum, and the Young Men's Christian Association, out of the avails of his estate on Jan. 10, 1880.

—Miss Abbott, the soprano, has been presented with $6,000 by members of the Rev. Dr. Chapin's church, New York, to enable her to proceed to Italy to pursue her musical studies.

—The Cincinnati *Commercial* notices that "Greeley has but one brother-in-law and no father, and his nephews are all nieces."

—Beecher, in the course of his sermon, last Sunday morning, referred to other sects, and to the temptation he was often under to publicly assail and condemn their peculiar sentiments. Said he: "How I could now give a blow to the Armenians." A stranger—doubtless a good Methodist brother, in the gallery—promptly said, in a loud voice, "Try it, then." Mr. Beecher as promptly replied, "I love you too well."

MISCELLANEOUS.

Cleveland wants to sell out its $200,000 Workhouse, as it don't pay the present proprietors.

—Russia, Austria, Italy, France, Spain, and the United States, six of the eight foremost nations in the world, have a legal-tender paper money.

—The Palatka *Herald* says: "The orange groves are loaded with blossoms, and the prospect is that we shall have an unusually large orange crop next fall."

—Gleason F. Lewis, of Cleveland, O., has bought the Virginia Agricultural College land scrip, calling for 200,000 acres, for $85,000.

—In St. Patrick's Cathedral, Rochester, N. Y., a boy was last Sunday detected fishing for greenbacks in the contribution-box. The *Democrat* says:

The sacrilegious youth was Edward Dougherty, who has in view within a few weeks, been arrested for burglary, and then released on bail. The last time he was detected in the act, and unsuccessfully beaten with scalp that, as he lay on the bench in the police office, awaiting the arrival of bonds, would, if on his head, it was hardly possible not to pity him. He was caught yesterday before he had filched anything up.

—Howard is offered for the apprehension of Frank Whittemore, 27 years of age, and Harriet Scott, brunette, 19 years younger, who eloped from New London, O., the 1st.

—In New Orleans there are five parties,—the Taxpayers and the Rentpayers; and, while the one is organizing opposition to the payment of taxes, the other is organizing to resist suits by the depreciation of city scrip, in which they are paid.

—The old depot of the Lowell Railroad, in Boston, is being demolished, and a new structure, with the largest iron roof in New England, is in process.

—The Rochester (N. Y.) *Democrat* says:

A certain Mrs Lowrie, of Marshall, Mich., recently took up her residence temporarily in Syracuse. While there she drew a check upon the Onondaga Bank for $1.50, forging the signature of her husband, which a nasty-minded world knows. It is supposed that she succeeded in the same way at three different places, procuring altogether but $5 or $6. At 2:30 she came to this city from Syracuse, and at this place Deputy Sheriff S. H. Smallwood arrested her. She was wanted at home to answer a charge of adultery, in addition to her forgeries. From this she was traced to Troy, Pa., and there arrested, last Saturday.

THE CINCINNATI CONVENTION.

From a Democratic Standpoint.

Letter from Henry Watterson, Esq., Editor of the Louisville Courier Journal.

Correspondence of the Courier-Journal.

The Davis Job.

I am going to tell the story of the Convention in five short chapters; I am going to tell what was attempted, what was thwarted, and what was achieved; and its my purpose, before I close the narrative, to lay and draw out of much secret and above-ground work, which is generally misunderstood, a little useful instruction for Liberals, who stumble, and for Democrats, who hesitate before the issue presented them. For, after a devil of a blustering, aggravated by considerable disappointment and disgust, I am convinced that all roads which lead from Greeley go to Grant.

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The New Albany *Ledger* says:

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MICHIGAN.

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To the great dissatisfaction of extreme Royalists and disturbers, quiet still prevails. The Assembly is not in session, and the Standing Committee, which represents it, meets once a week at Versailles, but very quietly, so that the political conversation which may take place between its members and the Ministers is nothing more than a mere talk. However, the other day, a storm came very near breaking out, and some of the members of this Commission, infatuated by their rehemeral power, talked of nothing less than convening the Assembly at once in order that it might prevent the encroachments of Executive power,—that is, of Mr. Thiers, who is the bugbear of the extremists.

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I will wager that you cannot guess what the matter was. Unless you know thoroughly, as we do but too well, the presumptuous nullity of these various people, it is so ridiculous that no one could imagine it. With an idea of pleasing Paris, and of pacifying parties there, Mr. Thiers got up some receptions at the Elysee. They amounted, in all, to four or five dinners, and as many evening entertainments with refreshments. Those who attended were principally magistrates, members of the Municipal Council, prominent merchants, &c. They began at 8 and closed invariably at 11; after which Mr. Thiers quietly took the train, and, with his wife, who had accompanied him to receive the ladies, went back to Versailles to spend the night. It is precisely what a worthy citizen of Versailles would do, who, having many friends at Paris, went two or three times in the year, during his vacation, to receive them at his case, but who would not sleep from home, so as not to disturb his habits.

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One of our politicians of the beginning of the century—Royer Collard, I believe—said of them, when they returned to France during the Empire and especially in 1815, at the restoration of the Bourbons, that these gentry had neither forgotten nor learned anything during their exile. Unhappily, this is true to-day. During the last century, there have been three great revolutions, two Empires, one Restoration, and numerous insurrections,—the sole object of nearly all being to break their absolute power, with their old ideas, their terrible egoism, and the profound ignorance of men arising from their general id ences. But nothing has succeeded. They are still the same, as ignorant of the modern way of governing men as a gentleman of the Middle Ages, returning with his whole being fenced with pride, iron, and ignorance.

PARIS CIRCULAR RAILROADS.

The Councils General of all the Departments are now in session, and are nearly, if not entirely, through. Most of them have much work, since they take the place, in part, of the Prefects who have been deprived of many of their functions. The Council of the Seine and Oise, the Department which surrounds Paris on all sides, has voted to have a railroad running all around the Capital. If the present plans are carried out, this road will be the third circle of Paris, which will then have three circular railways.

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THE PICTURE EXPOSITION.

We are to have in a few days an exposition of pictures, which, before beginning, has been the cause of violent quarrels and disputes. To avoid taking a part in the scrum of troubles, which is called an exhibition of paintings, the Government very properly said to the artists who took part in it. "All we intend doing is to give you the necessary room, the Palace of Industry. There receive, classify, and reward your pictures as you choose, after selecting among yourselves a Commission to whom it shall be to settle all these questions."

TROUBLES WITH COURBET.

This was done, but the Commissioners, controlled by the sentiment of fraternity, set upon, went at once to meddling in politics. They excluded two paintings by the celebrated Courbet, a poor, second-class painter, out of whom they wished to make a sort of Titian, and who, during the Commune, caused the overturning of the Column Vendome. These two paintings, which are not very great, were making quite a sensation on account of this rejection by Bonapartists, who excluded since they were the work of an unworthy person. They said, "We do not want anything to do with the pictures or the man. They would defile us."

Naturally, this makes Courbet furious, and his party shouts lustily. He will also leave to exhibit his rejected pictures, and his friends will exhibit crowns with their flowers. The Communists, of whom there are many in Paris, are already talking of sending this Frostratus to the Municipal Council of Paris, in the place of a person named Mattu, a banker who has failed, and has consequently had to resign. I hope this man will not be elected, but we are a singular race, playing with fire, like headstrong children, and there are many citizens, with the best of intentions, good fathers, and reasonable in all things except politics, who will vote for the miserable Communistary. But this is the fault of the Government, which has been too clement with the Communists. The Government moved by ideas of mercy and pacification, had given an amnesty large of which I understand, gave back at once to Paris all its franchises. The result was that, ten months ago, that city came very near electing as a Deputy Victor Hugo, the priest of the Commune, whose faculties have been impaired by age and pride; that it will now perhaps elect Courbet, the Frostratus of the Column Vendome; and that, at Marseilles, the Municipal Council has voted a sum of money to the son of Cremieux, one of the leaders of the Marseilles Commune, and who was recently executed in that city.

THE COMMUNISTS.

These venturesome attempts of the Parisian incendiaries will have a result that they do not anticipate. That is, those who, like myself, were the most inclined to mercy, will incline to excessive severity. We said that the deadly war, the irritability of defeat, and the moral and material wretchedness of the siege, had turned the head of Paris, and, to some extent, all France. So these fools must be forgiven much. But these fools are raising their heads, are threatening, and all are going to carry out their threats, by electing anew their old leaders, even though they basely abandoned them on the field of battle. At the first collision, at the first attempt, the repression will be bloody, and hence it is necessary to use all means to put up these fools, since they will learn nothing.

Such is the popular sentiment, and when it wants something, especially in France, that "something" always happens; and, therefore, it is likely that all which pertains to the Commune, and all which is dishonest and guilty to any extent, will be followed up more and more. The Empire left us with a gangrene of the condition of the body, which must be remedied, or we shall die. It is hard, and our flesh quivers at the thought of this painful amputation. But it must be done. And this is the general opinion.

EMILE CARREY.

THE FIRST OF APRIL.

Under the influence of these ideas, the old French gaiety has been slow in reviving, though one notices, by occasional bursts of laughter, that it is not dead, and can easily be revived. So the month of April (and especially its first fifteen days), once the month of endless jests, is now passing by without receiving any attention. It is a pity. For, while it was rather painful for the victims, it was at least very amusing for the jokers, and especially for the crowd.

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They played de gin this year a trick which always succeeds here. At all times, and in all countries, certain people have a mania for reading the future. Cassandra lives in all ages. Many fervent believers tremble at their death. They cannot tell why. Some soothsayer or fortune-teller has told them that they will die suddenly, or will die at sea. Their minds are controlled by this idea, and they tell you, coolly, "I am sure of it. I shall die at sea." It is stupid, but it exists, and I presume there is the same state of affairs among you.

One of these Cassandras was constantly saying to his friends, "Oh! as for myself, I know how it will be. I shall die suddenly in my bed. Some morning they will find me stretched out here dead." Acting on this idea, his friends, on the 31st of March, went to an undertaker's, and ordered a third-class funeral; that is, a manager or master of ceremonies, two pall-bearers, and a black hearse with two horses, which is the *ultima ratio* of life.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

MONETARY.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, May 8.

In the local money market the demand for bank accommodation continues very active, though the supply of loanable funds is fair yet, and all approved borrowers get what they want on the right kind of collaterals, without difficulty.

The demand for New York exchange is the subject of considerable remark among bankers. The shipments of grain and other products have been large lately, and yet the amount of New York exchange made against these does not supply the demand from customers at the counter. The most general conclusion is, that large purchases of Western merchants to New York just at present are unusually large. Exchange was sold in this market, between banks to-day, at 25c per $1,000 premium, and also at 50c. In both St. Louis and Cincinnati, New York exchange is at 50c per $1,000 premium, and unless there is some increase in the supply soon, we shall have the unusual feature of a shipment of currency from the West to New York at the same time that heavy shipments of products are going in the same direction.

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THE FIRST OF APRIL.

Under the influence of these ideas, the old French gaiety has been slow in reviving, though one notices, by occasional bursts of laughter, that it is not dead, and can easily be revived. So the month of April (and especially its first fifteen days), once the month of endless jests, is now passing by without receiving any attention. It is a pity. For, while it was rather painful for the victims, it was at least very amusing for the jokers, and especially for the crowd.

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The premises No 56 Twenty-fourth st, dated May 4; consideration, $6,500.

Sidney st, s w cor Polk st, 45 ft to alley, dated April 15; consideration, $2,000.

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SOUTH OF CITY LIMITS.

Lots 8 to 16 of Stewart's Lots 19 and 20, of Lot and etc; also Lots 1 to 4 of Lot 2 of Sec. 25, 38, 14, dated April 30; consideration, $2,000.

Undivided ½ of Lots 17, 10 27, w ¼ 28, and all so 29, in Rockdale; consideration, $1,000.

May 3: consideration, $20,000.

Lot 8 in Winston's Lots 3 and 4, of Larned et al, in Sec 2, 38, 14, dated March 23; consideration, $17,978.

Lots 35 and 36, in Bogus's Addition, in s e ¼ Sec 9, 38, 14, dated April 25; consideration, $700.

COMMERCIAL.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, May 8.

The following were the receipts and shipments of flour, grain, and produce for the past twenty-four hours:

	Received.		Shipped.	
	1872.	1871.	1872.	1871.
Flour, brls	8,560	8,488	8,135	4,432
Wheat, bu	10,206	22,500	17,362	199,471
Corn, bu	187,128	107,267	112,150	132,914
Oats, bu	17,191	12,688	19,127	1,343
Rye, bu	2,854	378	1,455	758
Barley, bu	3,740	1,992	6,214	429
Grass seed, lbs	107,880	14,970	30,043	
Flax seed, lbs	2,200	10,000		
Broom corn, lbs	20,000			15,500
Provisions, lbs	990,216	74,710	852,992	501,994
Beef, pkgs	38	9	9	67
Pork, pkgs		663	1,341	1,006
Lard, lbs	69,600	23,250	90,920	
Tallow, lbs	7,820	26,740	5,000	29,650
Butter, lbs	47,085	43,107	998	11,900
Live hogs, No	1,016	3,706	5,289	4,792
Cattle, No	1,537	2,699	927	1,790
Sheep, No	455	1,510		210
Hides, lbs	126,180	76,310	41,150	83,436
Highwines, brls	227	283	161	150
Whisky, lbs	19,170	120,670	89,840	39,687
Potatoes, brls	2,599	512	2,599	
Lumber, m	2,971	2,559	931	2,847
Shingles, m	2,740	2,881	1,858	1,743
Salt, brls	2,700	2,200	1,765	985
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Withdrawn from store yesterday, for city consumption, 3,000 bu corn, 408 bu barley.

The following grain has been inspected into store up to 10 o'clock this morning: 17 cars wheat, 294 cars and 17,700 bu corn, 38 cars oats, 2 cars rye, 1 car barley. Total (347 cars), 186 000 bu.

There was another general advance in breadstuffs to-day, wheat and flour being very much higher, and oats firmer; corn alone was easier. Provisions did not share in the buoyancy in breadstuffs. The receipts are increasing, and the inspection of corn are scarcely up to the average of this season of the year. The movement in wheat was so all-absorbing that it attracted the attention of a majority of the operators on 'Change to-day, leaving some of the other markets almost entirely deserted. The dry goods market was quiet and steady at former rates. Business, although not particularly active, was better than on the previous days of the week, and the aggregate of sales were considerably larger than in former years at this season. In the grocery market there were few changes. Coffees and teas were stronger, owing to an advance in New York, while sugars and syrups were weak. Rice, soaps, spices, and other articles in the list, ruled steady and uniform. The wool market was quiet but unsettled for anything else, but comparatively steady for the various varieties. The current rates are: Fleece: Lehigh: $10.60 for Erie and Briar Hill: $10 00 for Michigan, and $9.00 for Wilmington. There was no decided change in the leather market, the demand continuing moderate and prices ruling steady. The most prominent feature in the local markets is the speculation in wheat, which, in some respects, is almost equal to the Erie speculation in New York. The price has now advanced from $1.20 on April 1 to $1.32 this morning, and upset all calculations, and those who were confident it was too high at $1.20, are doubtful if it is not low at the present price. If it should suddenly fall 20 cents per bushel some day, they would again be equally confident it was too high in the present excitement of speculation, and scarcely any attempt to estimate the real value for consumption.

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CITY PROPERTY.

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Burnside st, between Twentieth and Twenty-first st, e f, 40 ft, dated August 6, 1869; consideration, $1,400.

Lot 9, in Block 22, Sec 7, 39, 14, dated March 26; consideration, $250.

Second st, bet Leavitt and Hoyne sts, s f, 24 ft to alley, dated April 4; consideration, $600.

Lot 16, of Block 1, in Assessor's n ¼ of s e ¼ Sec 20, 39, 14, dated May 8; consideration, $1,200.

Erie st, 216 ft w of Dearborn st, s f, 24x100 ft, dated May 7; consideration, $1,200.

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LaSalle st, s w cor of Madison place, s f, 60x77½ ft, dated April 30; consideration, $30,000.

Lots 41 and 42, in Zeuss 2 of Block 42, in Sec 7, 39, 14, dated April 19; consideration, $1,850.

Townsend st, bet Division and Elm sts, s f, 25 ft to alley, dated May 7; consideration, $1,300.

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Harrison st, bet Morgan and Gold sts, n f, 25 ft, dated May 4; consideration, $1,650.

Lot 15, in Forbes' part of Block 17, Sec 7, 39 14, dated May 7; consideration, $3,000.

Wood st, 159 ft n of Bloomingdale road, w f, 24x100 ft, dated May 6; consideration, $700.

Mohawk st, 46 ft n of Wisconsin st, w f, 24 ft to alley, dated April 18; consideration, $1,000.

Dearborn av, s e of and near Sand st, n e ft, 25 ft to alley, with building, dated May 7; consideration, $1,675.

Lake st, 73 ft e of Wabash av, s f, 24 ft to alley, dated April 12; consideration, $20,000.

Michigan av, bet Twenty-ninth and Thirtieth sts, w f, 50x183½ ft, dated April 26; consideration, $10,000.

Lots 5 and 6, in Block 2, in Dominick's Sub-division of Block 34, Sheffield's Addition, dated May 8; consideration, $1,500.

Fourth av, 125 ft s of Van Buren st, w f, 21x100 ft, dated Feb. 28; consideration, $10,000.

West 20 ft of Lots 18 and 19, in Phillips and Fay's Addition, with buildings, dated May 7; consideration, $2,000.

Lots 41 to 44, in Block 3 in Sutton's Block 28, Sec 25, 39, 14, dated March 5; consideration, $1,800.

Canalport av, near Union st, n w f, 23 ft to alley, dated May 8; consideration, $2,000.

Paulina st, bet Bailly and Jansen, w f, 25x120 ft, dated May 6; consideration, $1,691.

Lot 6, in Block 3 of Blocks 31 and 32, Sec 33, 39,

CHICAGO DAILY MARKET.

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BUTTER—The demand for fresh is quite active and weak to-day, the demand being light, while the receipts are liberal and steadily increasing. Dairies are quoted at 20@22c for choice, but the demand was mainly confined to meeting current necessities, as lower prices are generally anticipated. We quote packed and roll stock as follows: Strictly choice dairy, packed, at 20@22c; fair to choice tub and firkin, 16@22c: inferior to common grades, 12@15c.

BAGGING—A steady fair movement is witnessed in the market for goods in this line, and prices remain firm at 20c cash, 21c over 60 days, list: Stark, 32c; Grahamptom, 37½c; Philadelphia, 37c; Ludlow, 37c; Lewiston, 37c; American, 35c; Boyd, 34c; Conestoga, 34c; Gilmore, 34c; Otis Companies, single, 19½@20c; do double, 28½c; Wool sacks, 70c.

BUILDING MATERIALS—The market was moderately active and firm at the following range of prices: Stucco, $2.75; New York Milton, $3.25; Sandusky, $3.50; superfine do, $4 00@4 25; cement, $1.75; Rosendale cements do, $4 00@4 25; plaster, $1.75; lime in bulk, $1 25; white sand ♁ bbl, $2.00@2 25; plastering hair ♁ bu, 35@40c; fire brick ♁ 1,000, $20.00@25.00; fire clay, $14.00@15.00; fire clay, $4.00@5.00 ♁ bbl.

BROOM CORN—Trade was quiet and prices favor buyers. Sales of small lots of choice to fair to prime, green stock, $80.00@120.00 per ton; hurl, $140.00@160.00, and brush, $100.00@150.00.

BEANS—We make the following changes in our list: $2.50@2 60 for fair to choice medium, and $2 70 for choice.

CHEESE—Remains quiet and prices are weak and unsettled. The following are the nominal rates: New York factory, 15@15½c; Ohio factory, new, 12@14c.

COAL—The coal trade was dull, and prices for anthracite were more or less nominal, as compared with yesterday. The arrivals are large, exceeding 10,000 tons for the past 48 hours. We quote: Lehigh, prompt delivery, $8.50@9.00; Scranton, $8.50@9.00; Wilkesbarre, $8.50@9.00; Erie, $10.00; Briar Hill, $10.00; Walnut Hill, $10.00; Cherry Mine, $8.50@9.00; Indiana, $7.00@7.50; Blossburg, $8.50@9.00; Cumberland, $8.50@9.00; Pittsburgh, $7.00@7.50; Youghiogheny, $6.50@7.00; Hocking, $6.00; Massillon, $6.00; Wilmington, $6.00.

COOPERAGE—The market to-day was dull, and a weak feeling prevailed. Buyers did not, however, make no changes in quotations: Pork barrels, $1.35@1.35; lard, tierces, $1.20@1.20; whisky, $1.60@1.65; flour, $1.60@1.65; barrels, 60@60c. Staves and headings, $17.50@20.00 for pork barrels; flour staves, $9.50@9.00; circle hoops, $80.00@85.00; flour hoops, $70.00@75.00; $12 00@18.00 per m; pork and tierce poles, $28.00@30.00 per m; whiskey barrel staves, $22.00@28.00 per m.

EGGS—Prices were easy at 12@12½c per doz. The supply was ample.

CANNED GOODS—No change was reported in the market for canned goods. A good business is doing both on local and interior account, and the quotations given below are firmly adhered to all around:

Peaches, 2 lb.....$2.35@2.50
Peaches, 3 lb.....3.35@3.75
Pears, 2 lb.....
Plums, damsons, 2 lb.....2.25
Plums, green gages, 2 lb.....2.60
Plums, blue gages, 2 lb.....4.25
Quinces, 2 lb.....3.00
Strawberries, 2 lb.....3.30@3.75
Raspberries, 2 lb.....2.00@2.25
Blackberries, 2 lb.....2.25
Gooseberries, 2 lb.....2.25
Tomatoes, 2 lb.....1.75@1.80
Tomatoes, 3 lb.....2.50@2.60
Corn, Y. Sweets, 2 lb.....2.00
Corn, Y. Crosby, 2 lb.....2.00@2.25
Peas, 2 lb.....3.00@3.25
Lima beans, 2 lb.....2.00@2.25
Succotash, 2 lb.....2.75
Lobster, 2 lb.....3.10
Lobster, 1 lb.....2.25
Oysters, 2 lb.....1.20
Oysters, 1 lb.....

FISH—The fish trade was reported very good for the season, and former rates were well sustained. We quote: No. 1 whitefish, $6.00@6.75; No. 2 do, $5.25@5.50; No. 1 trout, $8.25@8.50; No. 2 shore mackerel, $9.75@10.00; No 1 bay, $8.50@8.75; No. 2 shore mackerel, $7.75@8.00; No. 2 mackerel, $6.75@7.00; No. 1 shore bits, $5.00@5.00; No. 2 bay, $1.00@1.00; family kits, $1.10@1.50; bank cod, $3.75@4.00; dressed do, $4.75@7.00; box herring, 50@60c; Scaled, 40@45c; Columbia salmon, half bbl, $10 00@0.00.

FRUITS—DRIED. Dealers generally report the market active, and for all domestic and foreign the prevalent feeling is one of great firmness. The following prices are current: Dates, $4 00@7.00; figs, 16@17c; figs, box, 20@21c; Turkey prunes, old, 9@10c; do new, 10@12c; French do, 14@16c; Malaga, 12@13c; Sultana, 18@20c; currants, 9@10c; raisins, $2.25@2.50; pitted cherries, 37@38c; peaches, pared, 22@23c; peaches, halves, 8@9c; do quarters, 7@8c; do sliced, 7@8c; apples, Southern, 5½@6c; do Western, 10@10½c; do Michigan, 11@12c.

GREEN FRUITS—There was an active demand for oranges and lemons, and prices are being held with increased firmness. Other goods in the list rule quiet and unchanged. We quote: Apples, $4.00@5.00; cranberries, $9 00@10.00; Concord, $4.00@4.50; Catawba, $5.00@5.50; Delaware, $6.00@6.50; Isabella, $4.00@4.50; Hamburgs, $4.00@4.50; Malaga grapes, $6.50@7.00; Tokay, $6.50@7.00; oranges, Messina, ♁ box, $5.50@5.75; do Palermo, $5.00@5.25.

GROCERIES—Coffees were firmer, with a tendency to higher prices. Sugars and syrups were easy, while other goods in the list ruled steady and previously quoted. Teas were good at the following prices:

RIO CARGOES—
Common.....
Choice.....
Prime.....
Old Government Java.....
Mocha.....
Singapore.....
Ceylon.....
Costa Rica at 24@24½c; Maracaibo at 23½@24c.

CANDLES—Star, full weight, 12½c; standard, 12½c.

RICE—Rangoon at 7½@8c; Carolina at 9½@10c.

SUGARS—Hard sugars at 10½@10½c; granulated, at 11½@11½c; A, No. 2, at 11½@11½c; B at 11½@11½c; C, at 11½@11½c; choice brown, at 10½@10½c; fair do, at 10½@10½c; prime do, at 9½@10c; molasses do, at 9½@9½c.

SYRUPS—Diamond, at $1.25@1.30; silver drips, extra fine, at 75@80c; common molasses, at 30@40c; Porto Rico do, at 55@60c; good sugar-house syrup, at 40@55c; extra, at 60@65c; New Orleans, at 65@70c.

SPICES—Allspice, at 14@15c; cloves, at 20@21c; cassia, at 20@20c; pepper, 24@25c; nutmegs, at $1.20@1.25.

SOAPS—French mottled, at 6½@6½c; German mottled, at 7½@7½c; White Lily, 7½@7½c; Waits & Wax, 6½@6½c; Brown Windsor, at 11@11c; palm at 6½@7c; brown Windsor, at 11@11c; palm at 6½@6½c.

STARCH—Gloss, at 9½@10c; corn, 10@10½c; laundry, at 6½@6½c; common, at 5@5½c.

HAY—Is quiet and unchanged from the closing days of the week. An active demand exists for choice timothy, and timothy remains firm. Prairie is in fair supply, and may be bought at a concession from quotations. The following are the wholesale prices paid by dealers: Timothy, choice, $14.00@15.00; do fair to good, $12.00@13.00; prairie, choice, $12.00; do fair to good, $10.00@11.00; do poor, $8.00@9.00; do coarse, $7.00@8.00; damaged, $6.00@7.00; prairie, coarse, $10.00; for delivery of prairie, $1.00@2.00, according to distance.

HIDES—This market was again fairly active, and the advanced prices established yesterday were freely paid. We repeat our quotations as follows: Green city butchers', 8c; green salted, cured, light, 12c; do heavy, 11c; part cures, 9@10c; green calf, 16c; green city veal kip, prime, 14c; do calf, 13c; dry calf, 16@18c; dry kip, 20c; dry calf, 18c; dry flint, 18@20c; deacons, 10c; dry salted, 9@10c; soured, cut, or otherwise damaged, two-thirds price; branded 10 per cent off.

IRON AND STEEL—We make no change in quotations, which remain firm, as follows:

Bar iron	4 @5 rates
Heavy band	5 @10 rates
Light band	5 @10 rates
Hoop	5 @10 rates
Oval	5 @10 rates
Square	5 @10 rates
Half round and half round	4 @10 @ 5 @10 rates
Russian iron, per foot	20
Russian iron, per pound	12
Sheet iron	rates

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DEMOCRATIC UTTERANCES.

"All roads from Greeley lead to Grant." The Louisville *Courier-Journal* thus admonishes the Democracy of Kentucky. The Democracy of that State, and, in all probability, the Republicans too, will heartily and cordially adopt the precept and follow its teachings. The St. Louis *Republican*, the Democratic organ in Missouri, says that "It is very evident already that the whole Presidential field is completely occupied. *There is no place for a third ticket.*" The only place that a Democratic ticket can fill is to lead some few votes from Greeley to Grant. Thus, in Illinois, a third or Democratic candidate would get about one-half the Democratic vote. More than that it will be impossible to poll against Horace Greeley. This number of votes, therefore, will be given indirectly for Grant, and, as the success of the Democratic candidate is hopeless, there can be but one purpose in running a third ticket, and that is to elect Grant.

Democrats all over the country are rapidly reaching the conclusion that all roads offered to them for leaving Greeley must of necessity lead to Grant. The Democrats, all through the South, have not required a week to figure out that result. It is so plainly obvious that there can be no two opinions upon the subject. The Democratic Convention, when it meets, will have to choose one of the two policies: 1. Declare that the Democratic party will not nominate a candidate, leaving the members of that organization in each State to manage its own local campaign. 2. To do what is possible to elect Grant by nominating a candidate. Should the latter policy be adopted, it will be repudiated by the great mass of the party, who, before July, will be in solid support of Horace Greeley. It will be a Convention without a constituency, making a nomination for voters already enlisted in support of another candidate.

The St. Louis *Republican* calls attention to the fact that the Democratic Convention can adopt no platform which does not embrace the "Cincinnati Declaration of Independence," and pertinently asks why there should be a second candidate upon the same platform when it is an ascertained fact that that second candidate cannot be elected. This self-evident proposition will address itself to the mind of every Democrat in the country, and to those who want to elect Grant, will determine what that Convention ought to do. It is useless for politicians of any party to seek to arrest the progress of Greeley in the popular favor. The election is in the hands of the people, and no Convention of any party can take it from them.

JOKING AT A FUNERAL.

As the crackling of thorns under a pot, so is the laughter of a fool. And in this way do the office-holders and their newspapers seem to regard the nomination of Mr. Greeley as something very funny, and, whenever allusion is made to the subject, accompany it with a laugh,—not a very hearty one, however, but, on the other hand, rather sickly and ghastly, as if they were not quite sure whether it was a good joke or not. It is the invariable characteristic of human nature, when it beholds any threatening danger of which it is really afraid and wishes to conceal its fear, to contrive a laugh; and this is the mirthful mood of the office-holders to-day.

The grounds of this painful and anxious levity are found in the peculiarities and eccentricities of Mr. Greeley. He wears a white hat and a white coat. He sometimes appears with one leg of his trousers resting on the top of his boots. He has written an essay on farming. He is somewhat negligent of his personal attire. He is lacking in the suavity and etiquette of Lord Chesterfield, and the personal graces and gorgeous appointments of Beau Brummel. Men who have devoted their whole lives to such incessant and persistent toil as Mr. Greeley are not to be forgetful of personal adornment. Mr. Lincoln was a man of this stamp, and the same laugh which has greeted Mr. Greeley's nomination greeted Mr. Lincoln's. The caricaturists will seize upon these eccentricities and exaggerate them as arguments against him, and they would be dangerous if caricatures were counted for ballots at the polls. They plied their pencils and exhausted their ingenuity in the same manner to defeat Mr. Lincoln. *Harper's Weekly*, which is now in the service of the office-holders, and has recently devoted its pages to Senator Sumner, thereby contributing to make him the President of the Cincinnati Convention and the leader of a tremendous political revolution, will now devote itself to the advancement of Mr. Greeley by a similar mode of argument, and we may expect to see the old white hat and coat, and what he knows about farming, distorted into all manner of uncouth shapes and exposed to all sorts of ridiculous exaggeration. *Harper's Weekly* has never been scrupulous in caricature. After the nomination of Mr. Lincoln, it ridiculed his personal appearance. It issued a cartoon representing him with a gales of whiskey, cracking jokes to a drunken crowd, with the title, "Our Presidential Merryman." It indulged in all sorts of epithets against him.

The nomination of Mr. Greeley may be a joke, but it is a very solemn one. The minor office-holders and the pensioned newspapers may laugh, but it has not been reported yet that the President has laughed, or that Conkling, Morton, and Chandler have even smiled. If there is any point to the joke, they haven't seen it yet, and it is rather unseemly for the underlings and "supes" to disturb the mournful conclaves of their superiors with their ill-timed levity. It is not impossible that some of these hilarious gentlemen may yet lose their Post Offices or Pension Agencies for laughing at a time when they should be mourning, and disturbing a season of anxiety and even solemnity with their decoied merriment. Something more than an eccentricity of habit or manner must be discovered before the time comes to laugh. Mr. Greeley's eccentricities will appear to the people simply as the good, old-fashioned, homespun virtues,—the virtues of sobriety, plainness of manner, simplicity, honesty, bluntness of speech, philanthropy, pity for the weak and the struggling, sympathy for suffering, and a strong desire to do good. These are the old-fashioned virtues of the common people. Laugh at them in Mr. Greeley and you laugh at them in the people, and it is the people, and not the politicians, who are to elect Mr. Greeley. It is no argument against Mr. Greeley to a laboring man that he wears plain clothes. The laboring man wears them too, and will recognize him as one of themselves. It is no argument against Mr. Greeley to a farmer that he has taken enough interest in agriculture to write a work on that topic, which, even though it may contain errors, is heartily and enthusiastically devoted to their best interests. It is no argument against Mr. Greeley to philanthropic men that he may have been imposed upon in his efforts to relieve and elevate suffering humanity for all philanthropists are liable to imposition. Mr. Greeley is now, and always has been, one of the plain people, and the caricaturists should remember that, in ridiculing his eccentricities, they are ridiculing the very qualities which are most highly prized by the people. An old white coat is the back of honesty is better than gilt epaulettes on the shoulders of lawlessness, and caricaturists have only to sufficiently ridicule the old white hat to make it famous as the White Hat of Napoleon, and as victorious. They should remember that in ridiculing Mr. Greeley they are ridiculing the [illegible]

dress of all working people, and that, in ridiculing Mr. Greeley's manner, they are ridiculing the manners of the plain people, who are going to do the voting next November, and in whose hands lies the choice of the next President.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM.

One of the chief objects of the Cincinnati platform is Civil Service Reform. By this term we do not mean the shilly-shally sham got up by the President, which begins in red tape, ends in a competitive examination, and no more tends to check the use of the appointing power as a means of corrupting office-holders than the spray below Niagara checks the fall of the torrent. We mean by Civil Service Reform such laws and practices as will effectually prevent all future Presidents and Congressmen alike from paying out of the public Treasury for campaign services rendered to themselves personally. The practice of making party spoils of the public offices, begun by Jackson and Van Buren, must be reversed. Still more must the theory of Andy Johnson and General Grant, that these public offices are a Presidential perquisite, to be used, if he thinks proper, against his own party, be forever crushed into the earth beyond hope of resurrection.

Our opponents in this political fight, and especially Grant's office-holders, are not to suppose, however, that they can oppose the principle of Civil Service Reform in this campaign, and then plead a title to its *benefits* when the campaign is over; they cannot make their offices a part of Grant's private perquisites in defiance of the popular demand, and when they are beaten turn around and say, "Why turn us out? We are as ready to help you now as we were to help Grant."

The heresy that office-holders owe any obedience in political affairs to the power that appoints them, must be exploded. But to retain in office those who practice this doctrine would be far from an effective mode of exploding it. Some office-holders are throwing their influence for Grant on the notion that if they win all is well, while if the Civil Service party wins, the doctrine that the victors are to take the spoils will be superseded, and all will be just as well. There may be a certain verdancy among the leaders of the Liberal party, but it does not take that form. *They will carry out the principles of Civil Service Reform in good faith*, on their very first accession to power. But they will do so by leaving in office only those who, while in office under this Administration, are wise and honest enough to conform to the principle of Civil Service Reform by holding their office above all partisanship. If however, they make themselves the officious agents of a certain public officer because they suppose he will be nominated at Philadelphia, as the New York Postmaster did by distributing unstamped circulars of the Grant meeting through the Post Office, and, after the illegality was complained of, charging the postage to Henry Clews, whom Grant had made Government Banker at London, in place of Baring Brothers & Co., or as Murphy did when he undertook to pack the New York Convention for Grant, they may rest assured that they will not be selected by the Liberal party as fit agents to carry out the principles of Civil Service Reform.

THE TARIFF BILL.

On Tuesday the House of Representatives struck out all after the enacting clause of the Tariff bill, as reported by the Committee of Ways and Means, Southern Democrats interested in tobacco voting with Mr. Kelley. But the combination did not stop at any further. The House then, by a decided vote, substituted Mr. Dawes' bill for the parts stricken out. This bill provides, so far as the tariff is concerned, for the following changes: Coal, 50 cents, instead of $1.25 per long ton; salt in bulk, 8 cents per 100 pounds, instead of 18 cents; salt in bags, 12 cents, instead of 24 cents, per 100 pounds.

On bend, belting, and sole leather, 15 per cent. On upper leather and tanned calfskins, 20 per cent.

Pig iron, $6 per ton, instead of $7.

The bill then reduces the present duty one-tenth on all the following articles:

Bar iron, railroad bars, coils, insulated wire, iron wire, bright coppered or tinned; iron wire, drawing; sheet iron in plates, hoop and scroll iron; locomotive tires; anvils; cables, chains, anchors, hammers, and sledges; wrought iron spikes; forged chains; hinges, nails, screws, bolts; horse-shoe nails; steam, gas, and water pipes; wood screws; cast iron manufactures of all kinds; steel; railway bars, and steel in bars, ingots, wire, &c. Saws of all kinds; files, needles, squares, and other manufactures of steel.

Copper and manufactures thereof.

Wools, and woollen manufactures, including shawls, blankets, flannels, children's dress goods, ready-made clothing, carpets.

Cotton manufactures of all kinds.

The original bill made some reductions in the duties on manufactures of flax, jute, and hemp, on certain descriptions of lumber, on building stone, pitch, bitumen, corks, on various acids, vitriol, camphor, quinine, printed books, and printing paper. We do not understand that Mr. Dawes' bill differs from the original bill in these respects, though it may do so.

Both bills agree in the free list a number of articles hitherto taxed, including a large number of dyes and chemicals used in manufacturing. The supposed aggregate reduction of revenue is $41,000,000, including $16,000,000 on tea and coffee.

The Republican State Committee of Missouri has issued an earnest appeal to the office-holders of that State, which they begin in these alarming words:

WHEREAS, In view of the magnitude of the interests involved in the approaching campaign, it is important to every citizen that the party shall not be defeated in the contest, etc.

The New York *Times*, the faithful champion and defender of the New York Custom House, which at first pronounced Greeley's nomination a farce, now speaks in a different tone. It thus warns the Philadelphia Convention of the peril which has fallen upon the fortunes of the Administration:

> It should lead the present leaders of the Republican party to consider their responsibilities to the people, to study the demands of the hour, and to make their proceedings at Philadelphia worthy of the present crisis. We confess that, in our opinion, such men as General Grant and Mr. Colfax are infinitely superior to Horace Greeley and Gratz Brown. . . . But it is for the Republican party to decide on the measures it shall attempt to carry out. We can only trust that the wisest minds in the party will be applied to the settlement of measures which shall be at once just and liberal, and will address all classes and all sections in the Union; which shall be worthy of the progressive spirit and temper of the age; and which shall be calculated to increase the honor and renown of the country, and to promote the happiness and prosperity of its people.

In St. Louis, two days after the nomination of Greeley, the men who laughed so heartily at the "joke" appeal to their followers to consider the "terrible necessity" to which that nomination has reduced them. They were able even within that time to see that Missouri which in 1865 gave Grant 20,770 majority, has, with her increased Electoral vote, become irrevocably certain for Greeley. The laugh at the white coat and hat is not so hearty as it was; on the contrary, the New York *Times* now holds that Greeley's nomination has produced such a crisis that the Administration leaders must awaken to their responsibilities. The wisest minds are appealed to, that the Philadelphia Convention shall act in a way "worthy of the progressive spirit and temper of the age." And all this alarm and consternation results from what was pronounced last Saturday to be a "huge joke." The joke has already become too serious for comfort in the office-holders' camp.

Colonel J. M. Haberlein, editor of the Kansas *Freie Presse*, the leading German organ of that State, has declined the position of delegate from Kansas to the Philadelphia Convention, to which he was elected prior to the holding of the Cincinnati Convention, and has unfurled the standard of Greeley and Brown. Some of our friends here in doubt upon the question whether Colonel Haberlein ought to serve as a candidate to Philadelphia, and there fought for the ratification of the nomination of Greeley and Brown by that Convention. We notice that the Springfield (Mass.) *Republican* recommends the Philadelphia Convention to nominate Greeley and Brown as a means of "saving the Republican party." Of course those who feel authorized to advise the Philadelphia Convention in any manner may as well give them this advice as any other. We, however, regard the Philadelphia Convention not as a Republican Convention, but as a Grant Convention, and nothing more. It has been a mistake from the beginning that the Republican party could dispense with all other policies but Grant's, and with all other principles than that of standing by Grant, and with all voters but those who live by Grant alone. Now, how can a Convention of delegates elected to stand by Grant, and for no other purpose, deliberate whether they will stand by him or not? We do not feel authorized to advise the Philadelphia Convention at all. Its action is, to us, immaterial. But we commend the open and manly course of Colonel Haberlein, and of all other delegates who shall follow his example, as one which will not be lost on either the Philadelphia Convention or the St. Louis Convention. What we want is a square stand-up fight between the platform and candidates of the Cincinnati Convention and those of Philadelphia.

The Cincinnati *Commercial*, referring to the charge that Horace Greeley is a Temperance Prohibitionist, says:

> The Temperance question is not a matter of national concern. It is of no more consequence to know whether a President of the United States is a Prohibitionist or an Anti-Prohibitionist than it is to know whether he is a Methodist, and a believer in the perfection of the Saints; or a Presbyterian, and sound on the doctrines of election and foreordination. It would, upon the whole, be a good thing to have in the White House a President whose equipoise would not be disturbed by what he imbibed, and who would allow the little brown jug to remain among the reserved rights of the States, and subject to the resolutions of '98.

For the sake of the truth of history, it may be well to define Greeley's connection with the Temperance movement as a political issue in New York State. He has had no connection with it elsewhere. Greeley is a teetotalist personally, and has always commended abstinence and all moral means of promoting it. When Myron H. Clark was nominated for Governor of New York on the Maine Law ticket, Greeley had slightly coveted the nomination, though as a Whig merely. He regarded it as an act of generosity to sustain the obscure Clark and the convivial Henry J. Raymond on a Temperance ticket, but he did it pill fashion. This, we feel assured, was the only advocacy, if so it might be called, of Prohibitory legislation by the New York *Tribune*. Soon after, Greeley, in common with many other teetotalists, fell back on moral means, and for fifteen years past has not advocated the introduction of the Temperance question into politics, although he has urged the enforcement of the old Excise law in New York City,—a law passed long ago, without Mr. Greeley's help or agency.

A Soldiers' and Sailors' Convention, composed of delegates representing the various Posts of the Grand Army of the Republic, was held at Washington on the 7th inst., for the purpose of taking action against the recent bounty-land act which requires occupancy and cultivation to secure possession, and other recent Congressional legislation supposed to affect their interests. If this is the kind of business which the Grand Army of the Republic is trying to accomplish, it had better disband, for it has outlived its usefulness, and is lending itself knowingly to a gross fraud. Annul the law which requires occupancy and cultivation of the public lands, and they at once fall into the hands of speculators, without conferring any real benefit upon the original holders of the warrants, and open the doors to frauds and corruptions of every description, as has recently been the case in New Mexico. In addition to this, the proposed action of the Convention reverses the settled policy of our Government, that the public lands of this country should go to actual settlers, as the most direct guarantee of the growth and prosperity of the country. The Grand Army of the Republic should be in better business than lending itself to the interests of speculators, who are the curse of our frontier settlements, and a blight on the growth of the Far West. They have already sufficient power for evil, and can essentially retard the money influence, without the immediate help of this organization, which is being led by its counsellors into the hands of unprincipled and reckless speculators, as well as against the prosperity of the country.

The latest foreign mails furnish another link in the history of the Alabama claims negotiations. Our readers are already familiar with the fact that the State Department sent a "private letter" to General Schenck, the direct inference from which, in the mind of Earl Granville, was, that the United States had made an unconditional surrender of the indirect claims by asserting that no moneyed consideration was attached to them, and that they were presented to the tribunal merely to be passed upon as a precedent for future tribunals! Exactly how Earl Granville came into possession of the contents of a "private letter" was a mystery until, in a speech of the House of Lords, on the 28th of April, he explained that General Schenck, upon his (Granville's) application, had divested the letter of its confidential character and made it both official and public. It would thus appear that, while the State Department is vigorously stirring the cauldron of toil and trouble at one end, General Schenck is stirring just as vigorously at the other, and that by their united efforts the claims are rapidly sinking out of sight.

And now it appears that Assistant Secretary of State Hale is invited to resign because he couldn't keep the very secret which Schenck authorized Earl Granville to proclaim publicly in the House of Lords. Next!

The office-holders' organs are so much alarmed lest the Democrats shall be swindled by Horace Greeley on the Tariff, that we give place to the following statement, made by Mr. Greeley himself, as to what he will do. In a conversation since the nomination the following questions and answers were given:

> Reporter. Have you read the platform?
> Greeley. I have read what has been telegraphed.
> Reporter. I have not seen the despatches. Have they run a Tariff plank into the platform?
> Greeley (with an honest smile). They have done just what I thought they should have done, and just what I advised,—reforged the whole Tariff business to the people, to be settled in the Congressional districts.
> Reporter. If the people elect a majority of Congressmen in favor of a repeal of the Tariff bill, and the Congress repeals that bill, what would be the duty of the next President of the United States?
> Greeley (promptly). It would be his duty to sign the bill passed by Congress!
> Reporter. If you are elected President, will you sign such a bill if Congress pass it?
> Greeley. I certainly will. I shall endeavor to carry out the expressed wishes of the people, despite my own impressions or convictions.

We do not see that a Free-Trade President, if elected, could do more than this.

The Democratic State Central Committee had a meeting in this city yesterday, and resolved to call a State Convention, to be held fourteen days prior to the meeting of the National Convention. The call adopted limits the action of the State Convention to the appointment of delegates to the National Convention.

We invite attention to the "inside view" of the Cincinnati Convention taken by Mr. Henry Watterson, editor of the Louisville *Courier-Journal*, which we republish elsewhere. Mr. Watterson is a historian as well as a clairvoyant.

In view of the appalling evils which our system of prescription has inflicted upon South Carolina, we are apt to forget the woes wrought by the same system in her northern sister. A few figures will tell the facts in this case more fully than myriads of words. In 1860 the taxable property of North Carolina was $292,907,848 in 1870 it was $150,379,623. In 1860 the tax of $30 15 of taxable property of every $1,000 was $292,907,848, and every $1,000 of property $5 75. In 1860 the total of State and county taxation was $788,788, or a little less than $1 to the dollar. In 1870 the corresponding total was $1,003,897, or a little more than 15 mills on the dollar. The cost of maintaining an efficient State Government in 1860 was $137,977. The worthless Government of 1870 cost $876,738. Better a cycle of Cathay than such a decade of Carolina. The greater part of the rogueries which resulted in this waste of money were perpetrated during the administration of Governor Holden, who at last found the State too hot to hold him, and removed himself to Washington, where he is a distant upholder of Grant. The State Convention lately held in North Carolina, and styling itself a Republican Convention, indorsed, at one and the same time, the conduct of this Holden, the farcical claims of Antioch to a seat in the United States Senate, and the statesmanship of President Grant.

The Democratic party of Kansas has a despatch from this city which contains a very great misrepresentation. It says the nominations of the Liberal Convention do not meet with the approbation of the Democracy of Kansas, and that the Democratic party in that State will not support them. Now this is fabrication. We have published a Democratic paper in Kansas for the last twenty months, and have voted anything in our lives but the regular Democratic ticket, but proclaim that we will vote for Grant and Wilson, and, providing they be indorsed by the National Democratic Convention. And such is the position of hundreds and thousands with whom we have conversed on the subject. With the exception of the candidates from our own State, Greeley was the first choice of the Democracy of Kansas, and the Liberal Republican candidates named. The correspondent of the *Times* evidently knows little about the feeling of the Democracy, or of the Liberal Republicans here either.

From the Columbus (O.) Statesman (Democratic).

This is a ticket that can be elected, and the men upon it in their several capacities will be equal to the highest aspirations of the true friends of popular government. It does no particular violence to true Democratic feeling, and we only doubt receive the indorsement of the Democratic National Convention.

From the Brooklyn (N. Y.) Eagle (Democratic).

To-day Grant is beaten. There is no chance of his election, if the Democracy support the Cincinnati nominations and live up to the platform of Democratic Representatives in Congress, some of whom we know feel in honor bound to sustain him with their party. . . . To-day Grant is certain; if the Democrats name a third candidate, every Grant organ in the country will again hold up the specter of the "solid South," and the Democratic National Convention covet, the way to secure it is open to it, but its path to victory is not in that direction.

From the Fortland (Me.) Argus (Democratic).

In such an emergency can Democrats hesitate here in their path of duty? Not for a moment. The good of the country demands that they vote for Horace Greeley, the honest man, the fearless patriot, the able statesman.

From the Springfield (Mass.) Republican (Republican).

Few men can be found now—outside of the Grant newspaper offices,—who will question the honesty and ability of Mr. Greeley's character. The Administration party should not deceive itself on this point. Mr. Greeley's popularity is no myth. He is a strong writer, a fine speaker as with the ex-slaves; with the Irish laborers as with the native-born farmers who have never voted a Democratic ticket in their lives. He may be beaten, but those who fancy the job an easy one will one of these days see cause to alter their opinion. The Philadelphia Convention will undertake the job, it behooves them to build a stouter platform than they are now thinking of, and to find a stronger man than Grant to put on it, if they hope to succeed.

From the Philadelphia Post (Republican).

We are now satisfied that, however this campaign may result, it will be of infinitely more benefit to the country than the last. We shall only opposed to a ticket he could despise. This can was close the issues of the war, and, it is to be hoped, will settle in the future. We shall then see people to what the war determined. It will begin, no matter who wins, a new era in the political history of the country, and for ourselves we prefer the nomination of Horace Greeley to that of almost any man whose name was presented to the Cincinnati Convention.

From the Indianapolis Sentinel (Democratic).

While Democrats may not indorse all the ideas advanced in the Liberal platform, it can be moved without a civil convulsion and the shedding of blood.

Entertaining these opinions, we deprecate such action on the part of Democratic leaders as may lead the party into the crime of making nomination for the Presidency and Vice Presidency. We are, and will be until the question is authoritatively decided, an advocate of the policy of calling a Democratic National Convention. . . . We are opposed to the nomination of Horace Greeley by the Cincinnati Convention. The fate of the country is at stake, and wise counsels only should prevail.

From the Quincy (Ill.) Herald (Democratic).

The *Herald* is given up largely to day to the reproduction of political articles from the press of the country, inspired by the Cincinnati Convention. It will be seen from these that elsewhere, as well as in our own midst, the Greeley ticket is decidedly for Greeley and Brown, and that the indications point to their triumphant election in November.

From the Joliet (Ill.) Signal (Democratic).

The Chicago *Republican* of Sunday publishes a despatch from this city which contains a very great misrepresentation. It says the nominations of the Liberal Convention do not meet with the approbation of the Democracy of Kansas, and that the Democratic party in that State will not support them. Now this is fabrication. We have published a Democratic paper in Kansas for the last twenty months, and have voted anything in our lives but the regular Democratic ticket, but proclaim that we will vote for Grant and Wilson, and, providing they be indorsed by the National Democratic Convention. And such is the position of hundreds and thousands with whom we have conversed on the subject. With the exception of the candidates from our own State, Greeley was the first choice of the Democracy of Kansas, and the Liberal Republican candidates named. The correspondent of the *Times* evidently knows little about the feeling of the Democracy, or of the Liberal Republicans here either.

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From the Lafayette (Ind.) Journal (Administration).

The platform of the Convention and the men by self-constituted champions of the Administration and standards of party faith has been such as to drive the Democratic party, and independent Republicans will be in your narrow bosom to vote for their votes [Tremendous applause] There may be a Convention in St. Louis; there will be one at Philadelphia; and the Republicans who still spoil for a fight will go there and nominate General Grant, and will insist upon fighting the battles of the late war over again. [Laughter and amusement.] Our men will address themselves to living issues, and try to renovate and purify the country. [Applause.] The Republican party will have a big job to beat Greeley, particularly by fighting the ghosts of old issues. Greeley must mean business, and that indeed is H. G.'s intention and action all the time. [Cheers.] The Governor said his chief object in office was to repress hostility and opposition of the work of the Cincinnati Convention. If, at his November election, there is but one vote for Horace Greeley, that man will receive his name. John M. Palmer. [Prolonged applause.] The friends of the Liberal Republican movement will also vote for the friends of Greeley and Brown, and express the opinion that the real policy of the Democracy is to give them a hearty support.

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From the Baltimore (Md.) Gazette (Democratic).

The fate of the country is at stake, and wise counsels only should prevail.

From the Washington (D. C.) Transcript (Liberal Republican).

For the first time since John Quincy Adams was President there is a probability that a truly great, national, long-experienced, and world-renowned politician, fairly occupy that office. Both Greeley and the candidate he would not have united ourselves better. We congratulate America upon the nomination and almost certainty of election of such a man to the highest office in the gift of the people. He, of all others in the country, best represents the ideas of the people and of the times, and is sure to lead and to maintain the best interests of the whole nation.

From the Lexington (Ky.) Gazette (Democratic).

We put at the head of our columns this morning the names of the gentlemen nominated by the Cincinnati Liberal Republican Convention for the offices of President and Vice President, and shall advocate their election with all the energy we can command. Nominated by the party makes a nomination of its own, which, under the circumstances, we think unwise, impolitic, and in bad faith.

From the New York *Star* (Democratic).

The nomination of Horace Greeley we heartily and cordially indorse. It comes from a thorough knowledge of the people's desire, and an appreciative understanding of the anomalous condition of affairs into which the Administration of Grant has plunged both the great parties.

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From the Albany (N. Y.) Argus (Democratic).

The Democratic party is not to be swallowed up by the Cincinnati movement. It is not a mere faction, but of necessity a great party, for what else could they do under the circumstances? Though he has all his life fought the battles of the fathers [Prolonged applause.] Colonel James H. Matheny was called for vociferously, and pleasantly came forward amid hearty cheers. He opened his remarks in a very felicitous manner. He said Horace Greeley's nomination reminded the saying that history repeats itself. Our history is full of such repetitions. Old Uncle Harrison's nomination was laughed at, but the people elected him President. Sam Houston's nomination was laughed at, but laughter did not affect the people; they elected him to the Presidency. Then came General Frank Pierce's nomination was pooh-poohed by the super-serious, big wise men. Here, too, the laughter was turned to grief about the middle of next November Horace Greeley will take up the old hat on a peg in the White House, lay his old white coat upon the Presidential bed, and he down to pleasant dreams, while Grant, Morton, Chandler, Conkling, with the Lewis Murphy plug hats and stockings, with dress coats and eyes suffused, exclaim, "Farewell, vain world, we're going home," and rush frantically hellward. [Terrific roars of cheers and wildest applause.] Mr. Rowe met then made a few well-timed remarks, showing the position of Carl Schurz, General Kerner, and other leading German fellow-citizens, which were received with cheers.

Hon. O. M. Hatch offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That we, as citizens of the State of Illinois, without distinction of party, do heartily indorse and approve the candidates for President and Vice President nominated and the principles set forth in the platform adopted by the Cincinnati Liberal Republican Convention, and pledge our earnest and united efforts in the support of the same.

It was adopted by a unanimous vote, amid cheers.

Hon. Alexander Starne was called and took the stand, being received with rounds of applause.

Mr. Starne said he had been requested to address the meeting while receiving his friends, he took some time, at any rate, to collect his thoughts. He referred to his remarks for the nomination, and particularly to the "pictorial blackguard," Nast, and the sentence in the war-speech, "Every negro pointing to the building in which the *Times* is published. They had slandered him into the nomination, and now they were going to have a chance to slander him into the election.

It may be worth while to say, for the sake of those who think Mr. Greeley dresses cleanly and badly, that he was clothed in his ordinary suit of black cloth, with a swallow-tail coat; that he had on his usual white hat, and that his boots, that lay on the desk at which he had been writing.

Shortly after my call on Mr. Greeley at his sanctum, I met a couple of acquaintances, one of them an army officer commanding in one of the Southern States, who is without a doubt a conservative man, and who could be seen his efforts until he had thoroughly exploded the belief that our forefathers and lawgivers had so badly defined slavery around us as to make it invincible against any just and lawful opposition, and showed that it could be assailed within the Constitution of the organic law of the land. This simple fact was an electric shock to tens of thousands of thinking men who have, for years, been puzzled to know how we may attack Slavery without offence to the law of our country, and we will join you." The husbar of the late Confederacy broke away from the institution in this one vulnerable point,—the question of its extension,—and the fear of trampling upon the Federal Constitution removed, the whole atmosphere changed, and Slavery was inevitably doomed.

Mr. Greeley had begun by lopping off the outer bar of the fortress to protect the trunk. He foresaw that, the question of Slavery-extension once determined in the negative, it was a matter of time only until the Free States would have enough preponderance of power to eventually abolish Slavery in a strictly constitutional manner. Southern statesmen awakened to this, and sounded the alarm. Then arose State Sovereignty, and the attempt to put it in practice through the arm of Secession.

Mr. Greeley at once accepted the Rebellion as a matter of principles, and, while no man did more to [illegible] particulars and keep it alive in the hearts of our people and while there was no more outspoken, uncompromising advocate of the cause of the Northern people, he did not descend, like Horace Greeley, to the unnecessary abuse and damnation of every man who found himself enrolled on the other side. Free and independent thinkers are always tolerant men, whether of the North or South; and he comprehended that men born and bred under the institution of Slavery might, in view of their Southern associations, honestly believe in that form of right in exposing the Slaveholder's cause. The more fact, however, of a man's being honest in his belief could not be allowed to be held them against the welfare of a majority or a State, nor free him from the penalties of an overwhelming majority, both of which had been vanquished to an acceptance of the new issues of principles,—an era of moderation, magnanimity, and generosity, crowned by a Government of strength in the right as to fear no influence for wrong from its vanquished foe, nor claim any advantage over him in consequence of his good faith in the pledge but the life accepting in its integrity, and stipulations he had determined to adopt, and a purpose to join in the work of repairing wars ravages, and starting the country on its new career.

Thus we saw Horace Greeley then, as now, helpless to his enemies, and, with no hope of success in the opposite policy of retribution that the firm establishment of the new order of things did not make absolutely necessary, he did not ask that those who had been the lea

CHINESE SERVANTS.

A Reverend Afloat to Introduce Some Celestials into the Kitchens of Chicago.

It is nothing new to say that there is a great scarcity of good servants. One hears that statement wherever he goes, on the street cars, or when making a call. After the mistress of the house has told the last smart thing her child has said, she says it with the last wrong she has suffered from a servant,—the insulting reply, or the impudent discharge. For servants are good natured only when they have broken something. The cheerful calm and resignation with which they can accept the destruction of crockery, is always charming and always new. It is true they have many things to vex them. Their hours are not always true, and a servant girl seemed to take it out on her mistress. Tardiness is kept locked, which implies distrust, or possibly something worse than wrong, and a breakfast lasting three wrong church, and it is very hard to live with infidels. It is writing that one girl having been converted by the Baptists of faith, insisted that those who hired her should also join that denomination. She made a square issue—baptism or another servant. They expostulated, pleading that it was winter, and they did not want to catch cold. It would be much better to wait till spring, and immerse in the creek when the weather was over. She left.

The strange thing is that wages have increased, while capacity has, if anything, diminished. But was bad as it was. It is growing worse. An effort is now making, however, to work at least a partial change in this matter, by the introduction of a new class of servants, and the person engaged in it is a woman who has had much to do with people engaged in domestic service. This lady, by the way, is a future, has written to the employment office at San Francisco, in order to see whether she can make arrangements to have Chinamen sent here for house-work. Quite a number of gentlemen who have suffered under the existing state of things have offered to take them, and have extended the assistance of the press, so that she will not be compelled to run any hazards in ordering them. She is waiting for a reply to her letter, and by the close of next week will be able to give definite information upon the subject. It is not probable that any such move, if successful, will be made in New York, for the reason that there is no reason why it should not be, will lower wages, but it will have a tendency to improve the quality of the service rendered.

THE LAW COURTS.

Alleged Breach of Promise—Mr. J. V. Farwell Appeals from Sawyer—Foreclosures—Wills Probated.

THE CIRCUIT COURT.

Mary E. Barber yesterday commenced proceedings in assumpsit against Griffith Isaac Roberts, laying her damages at $5,000. It is charged by plaintiff that, under a promise of marriage, she was seduced by Mr. Griffith, and that he refuses to marry her.

Mr. J. V. Farwell & Co. have appealed from the decision of Police Justice Banyon, requiring the firm to take out license for the vehicles used by the firm in the delivery of goods sold from the store.

—A petition was filed by T. K. Clark & Co. against Sophia I. Herzog to declare and enforce a mechanic's lien on Lot 15½ E. Boone's Addition to Lake View, south of the north three-quarters of Lot 49, Sachus' subdivision of the south quarter of Sec. Block 1, and the east 95 feet of Block 2, Canal Trustees' subdivision of Section 33, 39, 14.

—A petition was filed by Catharine Brotherton to foreclose a mortgage against Edward Murphy, the property described in the bill as a part of the southeast quarter of Section 30, 41, 14.

THE SUPERIOR COURT.

Proceedings were commenced by Charles Marshall and others against George Barnatt and others to foreclose a trust deed on Lots 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68,

WASHINGTON.

Passage of the Supplementary Apportionment Bill in the House.

House Progress on the Dawes Tax and Tariff Bill.

The Duty on Bituminous Coal Fixed at Seventy-five Cents.

Debate on the General Amnesty Bill in the Senate.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

CHICAGO RELIEF FUND.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—The District of Columbia Chicago Relief Fund Committee, at its meeting yesterday in this city, reported a balance of $60,000 to the credit of the Relief Fund. The Committee directed that the amount in the hands of the Treasurer should at once be remitted to Wirt Dexter. The Chairman stated that the Chicago Relief bonds had been taken by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund at 95 cents. As it was likely that the bonds could in a short time be disposed of at a higher figure, they deter mined to dispose of such portion only as would meet the immediate requirements of the Chicago Committee of Relief. The District Committee still retain bonds amounting at par [illegible] with the hold subject to the orders of the Committee at Chicago.

THE OLD CHICAGO POST OFFICE.

The Chicago Library Association having made application to Secretary Boutwell for the privilege of purchasing the old Post Office site upon which to erect new buildings, the latter to-day decided that he had no authority to grant such request, and that the Association must apply to Congress for such purpose.

THE SOUTHERN IMPROVEMENT COMPANY.

The Sub-Committee on Commerce agreed to-day to all of P. H. Watson's statement on behalf of the Southern Improvement Company to be made a part of the report which will be submitted to the full Committee to-morrow.

THE CHICAGO REBATE BILL.

Senator Caldwell this morning stated that the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections had decided to report in his favor. This is not correct. The Committee have examined the evidence submitted to the Senate by the Kansas Legislature, and it is understood the majority are ready to report that the proofs adduced by that testimony are not sufficient to warrant a resolution of expulsion. Something very different is understood to be the testimony taken by the Kansas Legislature, has been presented to the Committee in the information that there are witnesses now present in Washington who were not examined by the Kansas Legislature, but who are willing to testify to more serious facts than the testimony now before the Committee discloses. The Committee is now considering whether it will report in favor of the Senator, with a recommendation that a Special Committee be created with authority to send for persons and papers, or that like authority be accorded it for that purpose. The principal movers in this investigation against Caldwell are confident that the latter course will be adopted. A petition, signed by one of the leading Republicans of Kansas will shortly be presented to the Senate, praying that the duty of the Committee on Privileges and Elections power to send for persons and papers in order that the important omissions in the testimony taken before the Kansas Legislature may be supplied by oral evidence.

THE TARIFF BILL.

The first day of work on Dawes' Tariff substitute has resulted in disposition of four lines, and a vote to close the debate on salt in thirty minutes more. Tea and coffee were stricken out of the bill without a division, and the duty on bituminous coal was raised from 50 to 75 cents per ton, and may between the present rate and that in the bill.

BROWNING'S ACCOUNTS.

The accounts of O. H. Browning, late Secretary of the Interior, now residing at Quincy, Ill., were recently settled at the Treasury Department. The balance showed that, as Trustee of the Great Indian Fund, the Government owed Mr. Browning exactly one cent.

THE WHISKEY TAX.

The representative of the Peoria whiskey interests in Washington states that he is convinced that Congress will consolidate the taxes upon whiskey, making one uniform tax of 65 cents.

THE AMNESTY BILL.

taken up by the Senate to-day is that passed by the House on the 15th of January, and excepts the customary three classes from its provisions. The understanding this evening is that the voting upon the amendments will begin at 3 o'clock to-morrow, at which time the five-minute rule shall take effect, and that the bill shall be voted upon finally at 4 o'clock to-morrow session. The advocates of Mr. Sumner's Civil Rights amendment are confident that they will succeed in attaching it to the bill, and that they can then command the two-thirds necessary for the passage of amnesty. The concurrence of the House in the Civil Rights amendment is doubtful, but plans are maturing which will reach the same end through other means before the end of the session.

[To the Associated Press.]

TAX ON JUDGES' SALARIES.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has decided that the tax on salaries of Judges of the United States Courts, whose commissions date subsequent to the passage of the funding act, can only be refunded from the date of the approval of the act. To those whose commissions date after the approval of the act tax be refunded from the date of their commission.

NOMINATION.

The President has nominated H. Brainard Postmaster of Iowa City, Iowa.

WORKINGMEN'S CALL ON MR. BOUTWELL.

A Committee from the Workingmen of New York had an interview with Secretary Boutwell to-day. The Secretary received them kindly, and agreed with the Committee that there is no reason why an evasion of the eight-hour law should be stated to the Chairman of the Committee that proper action would be taken in the premises and orders immediately sent to New York to have the law enforced on the new Post Office and Custom House buildings. The Committee then waited on the President to thank him for his kindness and courtesy in regard to the eight-hour law, and request him to and instructed the Attorney-General to prepare an order for the immediate enforcement of the eight-hour law on the Government works.

COURT OF CLAIMS JUDGMENT.

The Court of Claims to-day rendered judgment in the case of Joseph A. Ware against the United States for claimant. Ware was a Treasury Clerk, and his salary was deducted for absence by reason of sickness, notwithstanding a physician's certificate was produced. Ware contended that at the Secretary of the Treasury had no legal right to deduct from his salaries on that a physician's certificate was unnecessary, but if produced was no excuse of the duty of the Secretary to pay his salary as provided by law. The Court decided for the claimant on both grounds.

NAVAL RESERVE CONFIRMED.

The finding of the Naval General Courtmartial in the case of Captain Thomas H Stevens, who commanded the Osprey, by which he was sentenced to be suspended from command and duty for three years, has been confirmed by the Secretary of the Navy.

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THE DARIEN CANAL SURVEY.

On motion of Mr. CAMERON a resolution was adopted directing the Secretary of the Navy to furnish the Senate with copies of the report and maps of the explorations of Darien for an interoceanic ship-canal.

SETTLERS' RELIEF.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported without amendment the House bill authorizing the issue of one thousand breech-loading carbines to the authorities of Montana for defence against the Indians.

LOUISIANA ELECTION BILL.

Mr. KELLOGG called up the bill providing that the Presidential election in Louisiana shall be held on the second day with the State election, the first Monday in November. He said the object of the bill was to avoid the trouble and expense of two elections in succession.

Mr. MORTON said that an additional advantage of the change would be that the Presidential election would be held under the protection now provided by the law for a State election.

Mr. TRUMBULL said that Mr. Morton's statement was an admission that his bill was designed to enable Congress to control, by indirection, the Presidential election, in violation of the Constitution.

Mr. MORTON denied that he had admitted any such thing, and asked Mr. Trumbull whether he wanted to keep the names of 1868 in Louisiana now, and the Presidential election held under such circumstances that it could be controlled by Ku-Klux. He did not [illegible] 870 opposed the bill; but he was in favor of an honest election, and he ought to support it.

Mr. TRUMBULL said that Mr. Morton had stated that the object of the bill was to place the election under the protection of an act of Congress, and he asked whether Congress had the authority to interfere with the Presidential election, in the face of the express provision of the Constitution that it is to be held in each State in such manner as the Legislature thereof direct. He knew not what the prosecution spoken of by Mr. Morton might mean. It might be the prosecution of a fraudulent inspector of the ballot-box or a fraudulent Supervisor, in the presence and presence of the military powers. He was in favor of an honest election by a free people, and the measure was opposed to an unconstitutional Congressional supervision.

Mr. MORTON said Mr. Trumbull was in favor of an honest election, but opposed to the means by which it could be secured. He (Morton) was in favor of the State Legislature, opposed to the appointment of [illegible] Supervisors. He now knew that the election law to which reference had previously been made had been declared to be only a dead letter at the polls of two Congresses, one of which, [illegible] passed it, and the other, [illegible] enforced it.

Mr. TRUMBULL. Does not the Senator know that he voted that you may do at just did in the City of New York, and escaped conviction from the Penitentiary to arrest Voters?

Mr. MORTON. I have heard that before, but I have never heard it proved, and I do not believe it.

Mr. HAYARD suggested that as Mr. Morton had sought to remind the Senate of the scenes of 1868 in Louisiana, it might be well to recall the scenes of 1871, when the Federal authorities interfered in quarrels of a party of which the Senator (Mr. Morton) was so distinguished an ornament, and assisted them by force of arms.

Mr. MORTON. There were some disturbances in Louisiana last fall and during the winter, but I believe that the authors of them have now joined the ranks of the Senator's (Mr. Bayard's) friends.

Mr. BAYARD. If the Senator means that my answer is that, he must be very ignorant of what my political affiliations are, or very reckless in his charges.

Mr. MORTON. If we are to infer anything from the Senator's remark it is that those who have gone into this Liberal movement are not his political friends. We know what hopes have been held out to those who went to Cincinnati, that the Democracy would further their little enterprise and adopt their candidate. The Senator [illegible] will know better in a few weeks what the Democracy will do.

Mr. BAYARD. The Senator from Indiana will probably be wiser three weeks hence than he is now. By that time he may know what the position of the great Democratic party, for which I make no pretence to speak, is, and what that great organization intends to do for the benefit of this country, but he cannot know it until assembled representatives of the party have spoken. Perhaps he will have learned, too, by that time to appreciate the motives of a political opponent whose object in legislating is not that laws shall be made to benefit by indirection or otherwise the party to which he is attached, but that laws shall be made that shall conserve the liberties of all the people, whether they are his political opponents or his political friends.

Mr. BLAIR opposed the bill, and, with reference to the New Orleans troubles in 1866, said it was well-known that no riots would not have occurred but for the action of the then Secretary of War in superseding the subordinate military officers commander in New Orleans, notifying the President that a riot was imminent, and there were then no troops to suppress it. He (Blair) was impressed with the design of letting the riot occur, and making use of it as a pretext for the harsh measures contemplated at that time by the party in power.

POST OFFICE BILL.

At the expiration of the morning hour the bill went over, and unfinished business, the Post Office Appropriation bill, came up.

The amendment offered by Mr. NYE yesterday and pending at adjournment, was agreed to, and the bill then passed.

TERRITORIAL ELECTION.

On motion of Mr. NYE, the vote on the bill fixing the time for elections in Washington and Idaho Territories was reconsidered, and the bill passed.

AMNESTY BILL.

The bill that was before the House at adjournment last evening to enable honorably discharged soldiers, their widows and orphans, to acquire homesteads on public lands, came up first in order, and was recommitted.

The following bills were reported from the Committee on Military Affairs and passed:

House bill to amend the act of the 24th of February, 1865, to establish and protect National Cemeteries.

Mr. SLOCUM reported the House bill providing that all retired officers of the army shall be retired on the pay of the highest rank and grade with the pay prescribed for retired officers of the same rank in the regular army. The bill gave rise to a long discussion, in opposition to which it was contended that it was intended to apply to existing cases instead of being confined to the future.

At the close of the discussion Mr. HALE moved an amendment that the bill shall not apply to the cases of officers heretofore retired under the provisions of the law. Negatived.

Mr. LYNCH moved to lay the bill on the table. Negatived.

The bill then passed without a division.

The Senate amendments to the House bill to provide that persons who could be examined without the consent of their parents or guardians was concurred in.

The Senate bill to prohibit the retention of soldiers' discharges or land warrants by claim agents and attorneys was passed, with an amendment.

The Senate bill to enable the President to appoint a Paymaster General of the army was reported with an amendment to authorize the appointment of the present incumbent of the office, and the bill was then passed.

The House bill to amend the act to establish and protect National Cemeteries was passed.

The Senate bill to establish a Territorial government for Montana was